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Romeo Phillion was wrongfully convicted and spent 31 years in prison. Now he's suing. For more on the suit and who is named as a defendant, see page 4. COLIN PERKEL/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ottawans get their say on anti-bullying legislation

Legislation. Education Minister Laurel Broten says anti-bullying law will be the strongest in Canada and ready by start of school year

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The province is one step closer to getting anti-bullying legislation, and Ottawans will get a chance to help write it.

The legislature gave unanimous consent for the government's anti-bullying bill and the Progressive Conservative's anti-bullying bill to advance to the committee stage Thursday — after long negotiations fraught with acrimony.

Nepean-Carleton MPP Lisa MacLeod said she fought in those negotiations for public consultations — including one in Ottawa on May 22.

MacLeod said there needs to be at least six people signed up to speak for the Ottawa consultation to go ahead — and she suggested city councillor Allan Hubley, who lost his son Jamie to suicide, and anti-bullying activists such as Stuntman Stu and the Be A Bengal Not A Bully group join the process.

"Those are natural folks who I think would be welcomed by the committee and play a major part in how we move forward," she said.

The legislature gave unanimous consent for MacLeod to put her name on the PC's anti-bullying bill — authored by Elizabeth Witmer who stepped down Friday — and keep the bill at the committee stage.

The process has never happened before, said MacLeod.

"We effectively made history," she said. "There's still a ways to go, but it's encouraging that there's been movement from all quarters of the legislature."

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Student protesters force CEGEP to shut down, again

Divided. Since March, Quebec students have been protesting a proposed tuition hike, but some students are getting fed up

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Students successfully forced CEGEP de l'outaouais in Gatineau to cancel classes for a second day in a row Thursday as they defied a Quebec court injunction.

A loudspeaker at the Gabrielle Roy campus announced at about 8:30 a.m. that classes were canceled there and at the Felix Leclerc campus.

A crowd of about 200 students erupted in cheers when they heard the news after they locked entrances at Cite des Jeunes and the front doors all morning.

CEGEP Director Frederic Poulin said the school tried to resume classes again, but it was "impossible" to do so.

Nathalie Bitar, 18, said she was in class Thursday morning at the Gabrielle Roy campus when a group of about 40 students stormed inside, screaming and being very disruptive.

"A bunch of protesters came in and started throwing chairs, throwing tables, they were writing things on the chalkboard, they were coming in our faces, screaming," she said.

She said Poulin was right to cancel classes for security reasons, but is anxious to finish her last session before preparing for university in the fall. "I'm tired of not being allowed to go to class," said Bitar.

Bitar is among a small group of students at CEGEP who support the increase in tuition and she says it's reasonable given the current economic times.

Sean-Philippe Viens, 18, is also supportive of the tuition increase, but said he opposes the court injunction.

"I want to go back to school because I want to go to university next year," said Viens.

Poulin said he would try to resume classes again Friday.

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Nathalie Bitar says she's tired of not being able to go to class and says the proposed tuition increase is reasonable given the economy. JOE LOFARO/METRO

School year may have to be extended: Dean

Students mill about outside the CEGEP de l'outaouais in Gatineau, which was forced to cancel classes again after a second day's attempt at resuming classes. JOE LOFARO/METRO

The ongoing protests at the CEGEP de l'outaouais in Gatineau have some students worried they might not be able to finish their term before heading to university or college.

Jacqueline LaCasse, associate academic dean at CEGEP, said Thursday there are no plans to cancel the term, but it will be prolonged.

"It's certain that they've had an interruption in their studies, but we have a few scenarios for different school calendars for finishing the semester that are on the table," said LaCasse.

One of those scenarios is to condense the schedule by adding more classes at the end of the day.

"It's just a possibility and we haven't negotiated it with the teachers' union yet," she said.

The school may extend the exam period to the end of June if it has to, she said. Normally, classes end on May 15 and exams would wrap up by May 25. She said prolonging the session would not jeopardize students' chances of getting their diploma and attending university or college in the fall.

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Price of the protest

May 25

The CEGEP exam period normally ends on May 25, but may have to be extended until the end of June this year.

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Ottawa hit with $14M lawsuit over wrongful conviction

Man served 31 years.
Lawsuit targets city's police services board, two retired cops, attorney general

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Romeo Phillion is suing the province, the Ottawa Police Services Board and two retired Ottawa cops for $14 million after he spent 31 years in prison for the murder of Ottawa firefighter Leopold Roy.

Phillion, now 73, was convicted of the murder in 1972. He maintained his innocence while in prison and his conviction was overturned in 2009. The Crown dropped the charges in 2010.

"Mr. Phillion was not in Ottawa at the time that Mr. Roy was murdered, not withstanding Mr. Phillion's false confession four years after the murder, which he recanted within hours," said his lawyer David Robins, of Sutts, Strosberg LLP.

Phillion was arrested for the armed robbery of a cab driver in 1971 and confessed to the 1967 murder, but then recanted.

The suit's statement of claim, which contains allegations that haven't been proven in court, alleges the Ottawa Police Service knew that detective John McCombie, now retired, had prepared a report that verified Phillion was in Trenton, not Ottawa, at the time of the murder and did not disclose it to Phillion's lawyer at the trial.

Roy was killed in the Churchill Court Apartments on Friel Street, which he managed, said Robbins. Roy's wife was cleaning when she came across a man and called to her husband. Roy confronted the man, who stabbed him in the heart and fled, Robbins said.

McCombie, reached by phone Thursday, said he was not aware of the lawsuit and had no comment. Ottawa Police Services Board chair Eli El-Chantiry and the initial Crown prosecutor on Phillion's case, Malcolm Lindsay, also had no comment.

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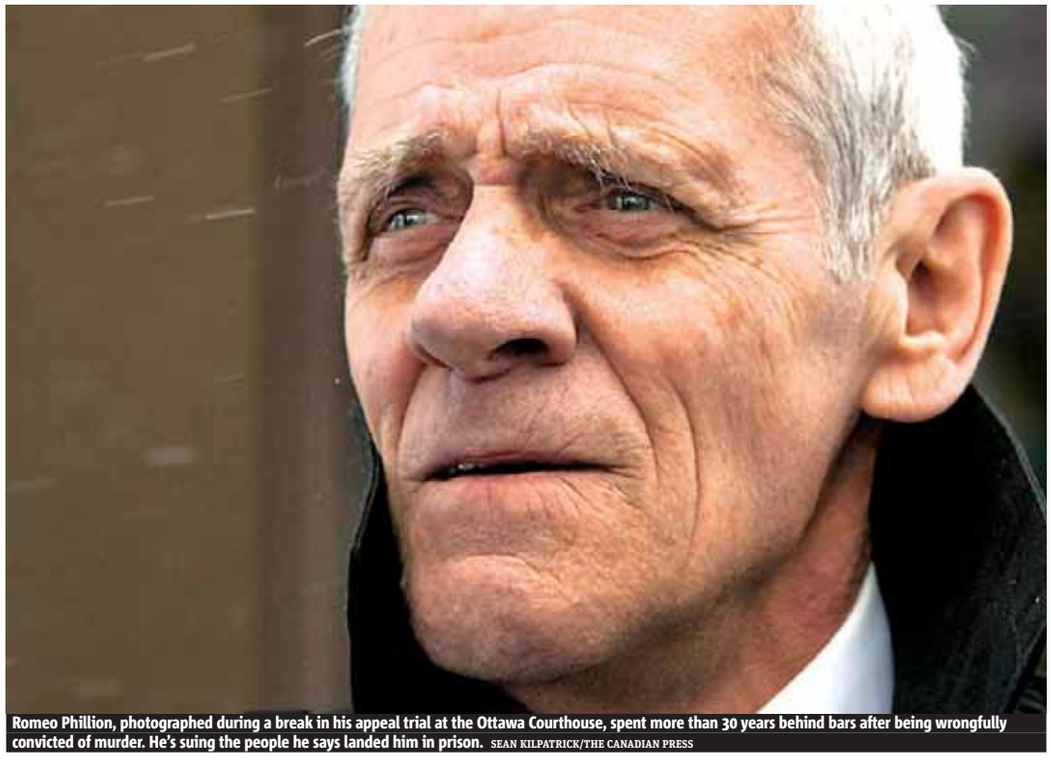

Romeo Phillion, photographed during a break in his appeal trial at the Ottawa Courthouse, spent more than 30 years behind bars after being wrongfully convicted of murder. He's suing the people he says landed him in prison. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Gatineau police officer charged with obstruction, fabricating evidence and theft

Gatineau police announced Thursday that one of their investigators is charged with fabricating evidence, obstructing police, obstructing justice and theft.

Mariane Leduc, a police spokesperson, said authorities began investigating Sgt.-Det. Jean Lacasse after allegations came to light in a court case in March 2011. But she said she could not disclose which case, nor the outcome.

The alleged fabricating of evidence occurred on March 28, 2011, and the other incidents allegedly occurred between May 20, 2009, and March 29, 2011, Leduc said, citing court documents. The documents also show the alleged theft was of cash and the alleged theft victim is Andre Gionest. Since his arrest Dec. 13, 2011, Lacasse has been assigned to administrative duties and he remains an employee of the Gatineau police, Leduc said.

He will appear in court June 19. JESSICA SMITH/METRO

Known to police

Cops cap cousins' bottle battle

Gatineau police were called to 45 Gagnon St. to break up a fight between two male cousins in the early morning hours Thursday.

A 32-year-old man was taken to hospital for treatment of several non-life-threatening injuries, police said, adding the man may have been hit with a bottle.

Police also said they found and seized narcotics at the scene.

A 38-year-old man was arrested at the scene and will appear this morning at the Gatineau courthouse. The man could face charges of assault with a weapon, assault causing bodily harm, uttering threats and drug possession. Police said they could not reveal the man's name until the charges were approved by the director of criminal prosecutions.

Both men are known to Gatineau police.

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Soul singers to bring velvet voices to Ritual Nightclub

Hot spot. Concert happening in city at the epicentre of Canada's soul scene, says Ottawa's Slim Moore

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Velvety voices are the stock and trade of soul singers and Ritual Nightclub plays host to two of the smoothest, most velvety Friday night.

Backed by The Expressions, Lee Fields, who put out his first single back in 1969 and has played with the likes of Kool & the Gang and Sammy Gordon & the Hip-Huggers, will headline the night.

"This guy is an icon," said Slim Moore of Ottawa's Slim Moore and the Mar-Kays. "It's a real privilege for him to have heard our music and liked it enough to choose us to open the gig."

"We absolutely adore Lee Fields," said Mar-Kays band leader Pierre Chrétien, who goes by the stage name Thibeaux Toussaint. "I've got all his albums, but I've never got the chance to see him live."

Playing cuts from their first album released last fall, Moore and Chrétien say that while their band is still new, soul music is deep in their hearts.

"One Christmas my Dad brought home the Soul Train album and I fell in love with the song 'Me and Mr. Jones,'" said Moore. "I've played all kinds of music, but I realized then that I love soul music."

"To me, it's just classic, timeless music," said Chrétien. "With all the computer music and synthesizers I think people want to hear something honest, real and fresh."

Chrétien said that the band started up two years ago when he started writing songs that were too soulful for his regular band The Souljazz Orchestra.

"Slim and I go way back," he said. "We played in a blues band together in the mid-'90s and when we decided to start this new soul band I had him in mind."

With other local soul bands like The Hornettes and Mackenzie Rhythm Section gaining followings, he said, Ottawa is now ground zero for Canada's soul music scene.

"We've got some songs that we're working on," said Moore. "Last night at practice I sang a new one called Rice in the Pot. We're very hungry for another album to add to our song list."

Catch Lee Fields & The Expressions and Slim Moore and the Mar-Kays Friday at 9 p.m., May 4 at Ritual Nightclub at 137 Besserer St.

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Ottawa's Slim Moore and the Mar-Kays will open for soul singer Lee Fields at Ritual Nightclub on Friday at 9 p.m. GRAHAM LANKTREE/METRO

Hidden Harvest takes fruit-full idea to sustainability conference

Kristina Siks, co-founder of Hidden Harvest, sees a future for the city where the produce from fruit and nut trees on public land is shared in the community. GRAHAM LANKTREE/METRO

Hidden Harvest is a startup that plans to harness Ottawa's fruit and nut trees and on Friday it will pitch its fruit-full idea to the city's eco-minded leaders at the 3i Summit on Sustainability.

"3i is all about bringing people from different environmental sectors together to collaborate and share ideas," said Katrina Siks of Hidden Harvest. "It's about creating fertile ground for ideas whose time has come."

The summit at Dow's Lake Pavilion will gather 30 Ottawa groups and marks the first time the region's environmental leaders have met under one roof.

"We're a lot less green in Ottawa than we think," said Chris Henderson, co-founder of the summit.

"Compared to Toronto and Vancouver our actual green practices on things like rapid transit and green rooftops is poor. At 3i we want to build a better DNA for green practices in the city."

Siks believes that Hidden Harvest has one of those ideas. "There is a lot of food around our city that is underused or wasted," she said.

"Eight to 10 Canadian cities already have fruit and nut gleaning projects. Lots of people want it, but there hasn't been any opportunity to catalyze it yet."

That's where she says 3i comes in.

"We're going to share our vision and hope to get people excited about it and come away with two teams to start implementing it," Siks said.

Ottawa has black cherry, apple and pear trees and more than 17 varieties of fruit- and nut-bearing plants, she said.

The group plans to map the plants and encourage Ottawa residents who are losing ash trees on their property to the emerald ash borer to consider planting fruit-bearing vegetation.

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Reversal of roles

Shatner to replace Patrick Stewart at Ottawa Comiccon

Say it ain't so number one!

Organizers of Ottawa Comiccon announced Thursday that Star Trek actor Patrick Stewart, who played Captain Jean-Luc Picard, is unable to attend the event in Ottawa on May 12 and 13 at the CE Centre.

In an reversal of their roles on television William Shatner will replace Stewart.

William Shatner
SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

"Stewart's appearance was called off on Wednesday due to conflicting professional commitments out of our control," said Alex La Prova, Ottawa Comiccon president, in a press release.

Organizers said on Facebook they worked "around the clock" to find a replacement and have arranged to have William Shatner be their guest of honour.

La Pova said Shatner will only be available on May 12, however, but will sign autographs and pose for photo-ops.

He's also slated to participate in a 45-minute panel, they said.

"We apologize to all the fans who were looking forward to meeting Sir Patrick," organizers wrote on their Facebook page.

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Celebrating its 60th anniversary, Tulip Festival gets electrified

Flower power. New electronic music concert series at CE Centre set to jazz up the annual festival

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A day ahead of the 60th Tulip Festival's official launch, locals and tourists alike were out admiring the million colourful flowers that pop up on National Capital Commission property every year.

Festivities kick off Friday evening in the Byward Market where Netherlands ambassador Wim Geerts will open the event at 5:30 pm at Clarendon Court.

Following his remarks, street performers will present Cirque de Liberation, a series of vignettes reminiscent of entertainment from the Second World War, to highlight the festival's origins.

The cherished event sprang from 100,000 tulip bulbs the Dutch royal family sent to Ottawa in 1945 in gratitude for sheltering Princess Juliana during Nazi occupation of the Netherlands.

The fun really gets started at Embrace the Night, a series of public parties being held at club venues throughout the market Friday starting at The Side Door, at 18 York St.

Other highlights throughout the multi-week event include Electrik Tulipe, a festival of electronic music acts coming to the city's new CE Centre.

The dance blowout will see a lineup of renowned international DJs such as Steve Angello, Nicky Romero and the London duo Third Party take the stage.

The festival starts Friday, May 4 and runs until May 21.

Follow Graham Lanktree on Twitter @MetroGraham

One million tulips spring up every year at Ottawa's Tulip Festival, providing the perfect backdrop for striking snapshots. GRAHAM LANKTREE/METRO

Fake Twitter following for sale (and cheap)

The alleged deal went down over a string of emails last summer: an Ottawa sports blogger got word that young ESPN writer Sarah Phillips wanted more Twitter followers and was willing to pay. Aaron Nilsen, 18, said he agreed to hand over his Twitter account with more than 1,000 followers to Phillips on the promise of $500.

Trading money for Twitter followers is gaining traction with the explosion of websites such as getmorefollows.com that offer to boost Twitter users' accounts by 1,000 followers for a wallet-friendly $17. And the process takes only three to five days.

It's cheap, efficient and could make you appear more popular on Twitter — but is it ethical?

"These things are not illegal, but they might be considered unethical . . . there's a social expectation that you are the real you when making these connections," said Alfred Hermida, a UBC journalism professor and new media researcher. "In a sense, it's cheating because at the heart of these networks is the fact they're social, they're built on connections."

Ethical or not, turning Twitter followers into tradeable commodities is widespread.

On getmorefollows.com, $277 buys 25,000 followers. On directorypip.com, $14.99 buys 1,000 while $689.99 nets 100,000 followers.

Some companies, including getfasttwitterfollowers.com, offer tailored arrangements for clients who worry people in their networks may discover they bought followers. A representative for the company said they can stagger the addition of purchased followers to create a "more natural" effect.

Nilsen, who sold his Twitter account to ESPN's Sarah Phillips last summer, told the Star Phillips sought his followers to "build her name" in not just the Twitterverse but across social media platforms.

Ottawa sports blogger Aaron Nilsen's website, the Nilsen Report.

"She was trying to make her own website and she wanted to expand her market reach. She was trying to make money," he alleged, adding he had no plans to sell his followers again.

Nilsen, who says he forked over his account with nearly 2,000 followers to Phillips last summer, has since started a new Twitter account. He alleged Phillips refused to pay him the $500 she promised last summer. But he received the money from her father Wednesday morning.

"I guess she's making amends," he said.

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Toronto Mayor Rob Ford accuses reporter of spying

A different scrum.
Police were called over an incident involving a Toronto Star reporter snooping around the mayor's property

Toronto Mayor Rob Ford answers questions from the media following the announcement of a pedestrian tunnel to be constructed to Billy Bishop Airport in Toronto on March 9. PAWEL DWULIT/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Toronto Mayor Rob Ford says he won't talk to any media in the presence of a reporter he accuses of spying on his home.

Ford told radio station AM640 this morning he wants Toronto Star reporter Daniel Dale removed from covering city hall in light of last night's confrontation.

Police were called to the mayor's west Toronto home after a neighbour saw someone who appeared to be in the mayor's backyard with a recording device. The Star says Dale was on public property next to Ford's home and was there to research a story about a piece of land Ford wants to buy. The paper says Dale was not there to harass Ford.

A visibly angry Ford held a press conference outside his home on Wednesday night and said it's unbelievable what the reporter did, adding when he confronted Dale, the journalist dropped his phone and recorder before running away.

Dale's version of events, posted on the Star's website, says Ford yelled and charged at him with one fist up even though the reporter pleaded for him to stop.

Ford said this morning he "never laid a hand on" Dale but stressed he doesn't want to see the reporter in any media scrums.

"I will not be talking to any reporters if he is part of that scrum," he told AM640.

This isn't the first time Ford has been involved in a dust-up with a member of the media.

In October, Ford called 911 after Mary Walsh of the CBC's comedy series 22 Minutes confronted him in his driveway dressed as her Marg Delahunty, Princess Warrior character.

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Wrong message?

Student suspended for Jesus T-shirt

A Grade 12 student in Nova Scotia has been suspended for wearing a T-shirt publicizing his religious beliefs.

The South Shore Regional School Board suspended William Swinimer from Forest Heights Community School in Chester Basin for five days for wearing a shirt emblazoned with the words, "Life is wasted without Jesus."

School board Supt. Nancy Pynch-Worthylake said the wording on the shirt is problematic because it is directed at the beliefs of others.

"If I have an expression that says, 'My life is enhanced with Jesus,' then there's no issue with that," she said.

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Alleged steroid link

Prosecution reveals evidence in Clemens' trial

For the first time Thursday, the jury in the Roger Clemens trial saw in person the physical evidence the government says will link the 11-time all-star baseball pitcher to anabolic steroids, evidence that Clemens' lawyer has called a "mixed-up hodgepodge of garbage."

Exhibit 52C was the semi-crushed Miller Lite beer can. Exhibit 52D was the FedEx box that once contained the beer can. Then came exhibits of gauze, tissues, syringes, cotton balls and needles, some of which were once inside the beer can.

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Mental health

Budget cuts resources for soldiers

Public-service union officials say the Defence Department is cutting resources for mental health, even as suicide rates among soldiers are climbing.

They say federal budget cuts are shutting down part of department's program to monitor mental health and work on suicide prevention.

The Professional Institute of the Public Service says experts who focus on post-traumatic stress disorder and brain injuries among soldiers are among those losing their jobs.

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Luring the birds back with love

Mission. The once ubiquitous swallow has all but vanished from San Juan Capistrano — but courtship calls might just bring them back

A swallow-viewing area is set up to watch nesting birds at the mission in San Juan Capistrano, Calif. CHRIS CARLSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Reminders of the legend of the swallows are everywhere at the historic Mission San Juan Capistrano: Tiny silhouettes are etched into paving tiles, replicas of their mud nests hang from buildings and the gift shop overflows with swallow charms, figurines and postcards. What's missing are the birds themselves.

They once swarmed to the 236-year-old California mission each spring, flying from southern Argentina to nest in the stone ruins of the mission's earthquake-damaged church. In recent years, however, the swallows have all but vanished after repairs meant removing some nests and urban sprawl crept closer.

Now the mission is trying to lure swallows with a love song that's all their own. Speakers hidden in the colorful gardens play swallow courtship calls for up to six hours a day during mating season in a last-ditch effort to woo the flocks back.

The experiment, which began several weeks ago, is the brainchild of a U.S. ornithologist who has studied cliff swallows for nearly 30 years. The story of the cliff swallows draws crowds each year for the annual month-long fiesta that marks their return and the Swallows Day Parade.

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Fancy tea with those 3,120 cakes?

Chef Gerhard Jenne works on a test section of a pixilated portrait of the Queen, made out of cakes, at Konditor and Cook, in London on Thursday. The finished portrait made up of 3,120 cakes, one for each week of the Queen's reign, will be displayed in Battersea Park, London, at the Diamond Jubilee festival. DOMINIC LIPINSKI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASA

NASA goes on meteorite hunt

A group of scientists has taken to the skies in search of meteorites that fell over California's gold country last month.

The researchers from NASA and the SETI Institute departed aboard a blimp Thursday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Unorthodox approach

Magician hunt lands U.S. agency in hot water

A U.S. federal agency needs a master illusionist to help escape criticism over plans to hire a magician to train agency leaders.

On May 1, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration posted a notice seeking a magician motivational speaker for a leadership conference in suburban Maryland. The agency said presentations should include magic tricks, puzzles, brain teasers, word games and humour.

It comes after the General Services Administration was embroiled in a scandal involving a conference that included a mind-reader.

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Saving a life — one tweet at a time

Finding a donor. Woman with genetic condition believes social media can help spread the word about donating bone marrow

LIA GRAINGER
For Metro

Cristina Di Corte remembers the day she found out she had mitochondrial neurogastrointestinal encephalopathy — it was the same day she learned that a bone-marrow transplant could save her life. It was also the beginning of an ambitious coast-to-coast social-media campaign to find a donor match.

"It was really scary to finally find out what I have," the 22-year-old Mississauga native says of that day last November.

If you've never heard of the disease, also known by its acronym MNGIE, you're not alone. The genetic condition has only ever been diagnosed in 70 people worldwide and is so rare that most doctors have never heard of it.

Di Corte first started noticing symptoms when she was 17, but it would be four years before she was accurately diagnosed. The condition affects the muscles that move material through the digestive system, so much of what Di Corte ate would sit in her system and rot. A hairdresser at Erin Mills Town Centre, she became so exhausted that she was unable to work.

"I was nauseous, throwing up, and had horrible stomach pains," says Di Corte. Already a naturally slim woman at 98 pounds, her weight dropped to as low as 68 pounds. A series of doctors and specialists misdiagnosed her with irritable bowel syndrome, tested her for celiac disease and colon cancer, and even sent her to a clinic for people with eating disorders.

To finally be able to name the disease was little comfort, though, as it came with the news that she would need a bone-marrow transplant.

"I basically need it as soon as possible," says Di Corte, who now receives nutrients through a central catheter line and is back up to 80 pounds. Unfortunately, her mother, father and brother are not matches. Di Corte is registered with OneMatch.ca, a stem-cell and marrow donor network, but they warned her that the list is long.

OneMatch.ca

All that's required to register with Canada's stem-cell and marrow network is a simple, non-invasive cheek swab — and you don't even need to see a doctor to do it.

- Individuals can go to OneMatch.ca and order a free swab kit. A YouTube video explains how to take the swab and then the samples are simply popped back in the mail, postage paid.

That's when her older brother had an idea. "He was like, why don't we put this on Facebook?" says Di Corte.

A Facebook event asked friends and family to tweet #hopeforcristina on Twitter every Wednesday at 6 p.m., and the call has been a trending topic in Canada three times. She also has her own website, Helpingcristina.org, and it wasn't long before Di Corte was telling her story on Citytv.

"I think if more young people knew about OneMatch and how easy it is to be tested, they would register," says Di Corte. "You could save someone's life."

Cristina Di Corte explains her condition during an interview with Citytv in this screengrab. CONTRIBUTED

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Witnesses detail island shootings

Breivik's massacre. Ferry captain describes his 'angst and full panic' after mass murderer began Utoya island slaughter

Day 11 of trial

Breivik has said that being declared insane would be the worst thing that could happen to him because it would "delegitimize" his views.

Witnesses in Norway recounted Thursday how mass murderer Anders Behring Breivik — armed and in police uniform — managed to trick his way onto a ferry to Utoya island, where he massacred 69 people in a shooting spree just hours after killing eight people in a bomb attack.

Jon Olson, captain of the MS Thorbjoern ferry, told the Oslo District Court about his "angst and full panic" as he frantically tried to contact police about the island attack after his ferry had docked at Utoya.

Breivik has admitted to the bombing in Oslo's government district and the subsequent shootings at a Labor Party youth camp on Utoya. He claims the July 22 attacks were "necessary" and that the 77 victims had betrayed Norway by embracing immigration.

Olson, who lost his partner, Monica Boesei, the second person to die in the shootings, said neither he nor his crew suspected the uniform-clad Breivik to be anything other than a police officer.

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Showing the big guns, the 'last resort' in Olympic security

Members of the British military's Royal Artillery regiment stand near a Rapier air-defence system in Blackheath, London, during a media event ahead of a training exercise designed to test military procedures for the upcoming Olympics. Britain's military is carrying out security tests including the deployment of ground-to-air missile systems, which are being considered for the Games. It's a move the government has defended as a "last resort" measure of security and one that has been used at previous Olympics.

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Furor widens over Tymoshenko

Jailed ex-premier of Ukraine Yulia Tymoshenko says she was injured by prison guards who were taking her to hospital. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

German Chancellor Angela Merkel urged Ukrainian leaders on Thursday to give jailed ex-premier Yulia Tymoshenko "proper treatment" for her ailments, as more top officials announced they would boycott the Euro 2012 soccer championship co-hosted by Ukraine.

Merkel insisted that she had not yet decided whether to stay away from the matches in Ukraine, but said her priority now was the former leader's health.

Euro 2012 is the continent's most prestigious soccer tournament, taking place only once every four years. The dispute over Tymoshenko, Ukraine's top opposition figure, is coming as a big blow to the country's hopes of using the tournament to boost tourism and trade with the 27-nation European Union. Ukraine, which is not in the EU, is co-hosting with EU member Poland.

"Much more important than my travel plans is that we must now do everything possible to see that Yulia Tymoshenko gets the proper treatment," Merkel was quoted as saying.

"Our offer stands for her to receive this medical treatment in Germany."

Tymoshenko, 51, is on a hunger strike to protest alleged mistreatment in an Ukraine prison where she is serving a seven-year sentence on charges of abusing her power while in office.

She claims guards punched her while taking her to hospital to be treated.

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Animal activism

Bob Barker to help five HIV-infected chimps

Retired game-show host and animal-rights advocate Bob Barker is opening a new area for five HIV-infected chimpanzees at a sanctuary in northwestern Louisiana. The former host of The Price Is Right donated $380,000 to create space for the animals, named Doc, JoJo, Murphy, Flick and Pierre.

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Ritual charges dropped

Women accused of raping men to collect semen

Prosecutors in Zimbabwe said Thursday they have dropped charges against three women accused of raping men to collect their semen for tribal rituals. The charges were dropped after DNA tests failed to link them to 17 men who claimed they were victims. The women face prostitution charges.

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Presidential politics

Romney says Chinese dissident abandoned by U.S.

Mitt Romney has criticized the Obama administration for allowing a blind Chinese dissident to leave the U.S. Embassy in Beijing.

Campaigning in Virginia, the Republican presidential candidate said reports that American officials allowed Chen Guangcheng to leave the embassy represented a "dark day for freedom," and a "day of shame for the Obama administration."

Chen took refuge at the embassy after escaping house arrest.

He rejected a deal that was supposed to keep him safely in China and now says he wants to leave the country. Chen has told media outlets he feels abandoned by the U.S.

American officials said they had not pressured him to leave U.S. protection. Romney says the U.S. should be a "place of freedom." He suggested the administration abandoned Chen.

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Wallet found 63 years later helps reunite family

Lost and Found.
Blog post helps track down owners of billfold sealed inside antique cabinet

MATT KIELTYKA
Metro in Vancouver

The discovery of a 63-year-old wallet in Whistler, B.C., has bridged generations, connected families and given store owner Lorna Van Straaten one amazing story to tell.

The owner of Whistler's Re-Build-It Centre found the wallet, belonging to a Donald Milford Townsend of Burbank, Calif., in a sealed compartment of a fetching black antique cabinet she had just sold.

The contents — including a driver's licence, union card, family photos and a silver coin — astounded her and sent her on a memorable quest to find the man's family.

"Some of the things we find (in her two antique shops) are beyond description.

"We get lots of really cool items, but in terms of family sentimental value this tops them all," Van Straaten told Metro.

The store owner posted the contents of the wallet and her story on her blog, reuseitwhistler.blogspot.com, in an attempt to track down Townsend's family.

Time capsule

"All of this has been sealed away since 1949. No one has touched it. It's really a snapshot of what life was like then."
Lorna Van Straaten,
owner of Re-Build-It Centre antique store.

Within a day, Van Straaten had been able to connect with Townsend's cousin, grandson and great nephew.

Townsend himself had died in 2005.

Aside from being an astounding find, the wallet ended up reuniting the relatives.

A postage stamp and blood-donor card were among items recently found in a wallet in Whistler dating back to 1949.
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Dozens killed in failed market robbery

Nigeria. Country is already under constant attack by radical Islamists

Robbers angered by a crowd burning one of their colleagues alive attacked a cattle market in northeast Nigeria, killing at least 34 people in the latest violence fanning across the bloodied region, witnesses and an official said Thursday.

The violence began Wednesday, as witnesses said gunmen started shooting at the market in Potiskum, a city 575 kilometres northeast of Nigeria's central capital, Abuja. Three people were killed in the ensuing gunfire, which ended when the attackers ran out of ammunition, witnesses said.

All but one of the gunmen escaped. Those gathered in the market beat the gunmen left behind before dousing him in gasoline and lighting him on fire, a punishment still meted out by mobs in a nation where few trust the under-equipped and corrupt federal police force.

As the market closed for the night, the gunmen returned, setting fire to cattle-holding pens and cars parked around the area. Potiskum General Hospital, the only major medical facility in the town, took in 34 corpses from the attack, an official there said. About a dozen charred corpses were seen lining an open-air morgue.

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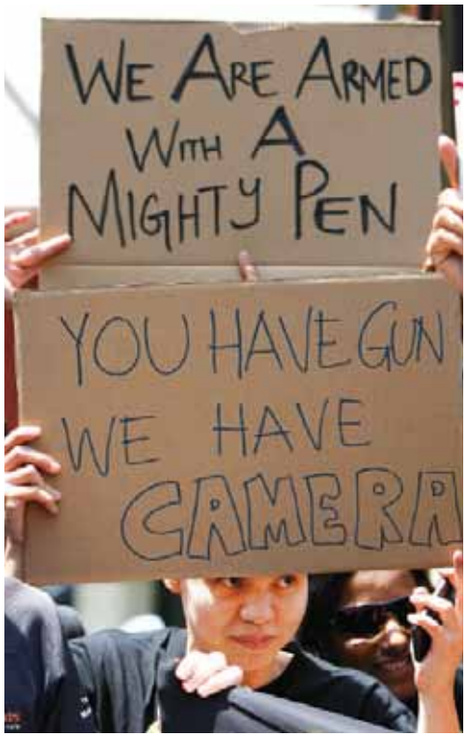
Cause of the clashes

Cattle raids remain common across the north, as herdsmen lead teams across the arid plains to the market.

- While attacks there often cuts across ethnic and religious lines, the root of the violence often comes back to grazing rights and political power.

Dead cows lie amid burned posts Thursday following a raid by gunmen in a cattle market in Potiskum, Nigeria. ADAMU ADAMU/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Speaking up for press freedom

Members of the press hold placards during a rally to mark World Press Freedom Day in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on Thursday. Members of the Malaysian press protested against the attacks on members of the media by police during a rally Saturday. LAI SENG SIN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Seattle

Barefoot Bandit out of solitary confinement

The youthful thief who led a two-year crime spree in stolen boats, cars and planes is out of solitary confinement.

A spokesman says Colton Harris-Moore, 21, known as the Barefoot Bandit, entered intensive management with death-row inmates as soon he began his sentence because he was a high-profile prisoner.

He was arrested in the Bahamas in 2010 after crash-landing a stolen plane.

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Brazil

Rio de Janeiro starts advertising cleanup

Officials in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, are trying to make the city more attractive.

Mayor Eduardo Paes has ordered the removal of massive billboards, banner advertisements covering buildings and illegal advertising stuck to other spaces.

Some 50 workers began tearing down billboards in front of iconic Guanabara Bay, launching a campaign to remove distractions from the view of the emerald green Atlantic rain forest on the mountainsides and the white-sand beaches.

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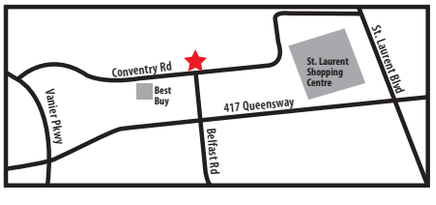

RIM share price falls to decade low

Market. BlackBerry maker's shares plunge to below $12 in the three days following initial preview of new operating system

The Canadian company that revolutionized the mobile-phone industry spent a very expensive week trying to sell the idea that the BlackBerry isn't a dying technology, only to see its share price close Thursday at its lowest level in nearly a decade.

Research In Motion stock fell 72 cents, or 5.7 per cent, to close at $11.91 on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

It hasn't been below $12 since 2003.

Thursday's plunge marked three days of declines that began after the Waterloo, Ont., tech giant gave a first glimpse of its much-anticipated new operating software at its annual developer conference in Orlando, Fla.

The BlackBerry 10 OS prototype was handed to developers in the hope of getting them onside and writing applications for the system, but it won't hit the market for several months.

A BlackBerry testing device. RESEARCH IN MOTION HANDOUT

RIM's shares have fallen some 15 per cent since Tuesday's reveal of the operating system. At its height the stock was trading at more than $144 in 2008, when RIM was briefly the most valuable company on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

During the conference, RIM chief executive Thorsten Heins was forced to confront rumours that the new BlackBerry would feature only a touchscreen keyboard and not a physical keypad.

The confusion arose after Heins unveiled the new operating system and focused on some flashy features available to touchscreen users, but didn't address any future plans for keypad devices. Some reports suggested the company would completely ditch the physical keys that helped build its name and are favoured by many of its users.

"We won't lose the focus on physical keypads. It would be wrong, just plain wrong to do this," Heins said.

At this point, it's hard to tell whether the event either helped or hurt the company in the long run, but judging by RIM's volatile stock, investors aren't impressed yet.

BlackBerry 10 is seen as an important part of RIM's attempt to compete against the likes of the iPhone and devices using Google's Android operating system. THE CANADIAN PRESS

SNC-Lavalin chairman delivers optimistic outlook

SNC-Lavalin chairman Gwyn Morgan speaks at the company's AGM in Toronto on Thursday. He said client confidence remains strong despite intense turmoil resulting from disclosure of $56 million of mysterious payments that have tarnished its name. FRANK GUNN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Pipeline. Keystone XL future uncertain

TransCanada won't confirm a report in the Washington Post that it will reapply for its controversial Keystone XL pipeline as soon as Friday.

A person familiar with TransCanada's plans spoke to the Post on the condition of anonymity because a formal announcement has not yet been made, the newspaper said Thursday.

CEO Russ Girling told reporters following TransCanada's annual general meeting last Friday that the new application is "imminent." Company spokesman Terry Cunha said Thursday that Girling's comment still stands, with no specific date being provided.

The Obama administration rejected the $7.6-billion US project earlier this year, though it left the door open for TransCanada to take another crack at it.

The White House says the decision had less to do with the Alberta-to-Texas pipeline's merits than moves by Republicans in Congress to speed up the process. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Michael Jackson

PepsiCo reveals new 'King of Pop' can design

PepsiCo Inc. on Thursday is announcing its deal with the estate of Michael Jackson to use the late pop star's image for its new global marketing push. The nature of the promotion will vary by country, but will include a TV ad, special-edition cans bearing Jackson's image and chances to download remixes of some of Jackson's most famous songs. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Pepsi's new "King of Pop" can. PEPSICO INC./THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Courtroom

Google goes up against authors in court case

Google has urged a judge to toss The Authors Guild out of litigation over the future of the world's largest digital library.

Google lawyer told a judge Thursday that authors cannot be represented as a group because their interests are too varied.

The Author's Guild lawyer said it would be too expensive to force authors to fight Google individually. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Market Minute

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Social network. Facebook sets share-price range for upcoming IPO

Facebook has set a price range of $28 to $35 for its initial public offering of stock.

At the high end, this could raise as much as $11.8 billion US. If the underwriters sell the extra stock reserved for over-allotments, the IPO will value Facebook at $79.3 billion at the high end of the price range.

That's much higher than any other Internet IPO in the past, even Google in 2004, which raised $1.9 billion. The range came in a regulatory filing Thursday.

After that, Facebook will go on an "IPO roadshow," where executives talk to potential investors about why they should invest in the stock. If all goes well, Facebook's stock is expected to price on May 17 and go public on May 18.

The IPO has been highly anticipated, not just because of how much money it will raise, but because Facebook itself is so popular. The world's largest online social network has more than 900 million users worldwide. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Cellular. CRTC mulls national wireless code

Canada's major telecom companies — Rogers, Bell and Telus — and consumer-advocacy groups are supporting national standards that would apply to cellphone and wireless-device contracts, a hot-button issue for consumers.

A national wireless code would help protect consumers no matter where they live in Canada, they said in their statement to the CRTC on Thursday.

"We believe that enforceable national wireless standards, applied consistently across Canada, would address the demand for consumer protection in the most economically and administratively efficient manner and give consumers the same rights and benefits equally across the country," the statement said.

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission has asked for feedback on whether it needs to create a national wireless code to ensure that cellphone and mobile-device customers are protected. THE CANADIAN PRESS

IT'S SNOOKI CALLING THE POT BLACK

THE LIST
Mike Benhaim
Metro

1 **Same old story:** You know the one — lady's philandering husband spends all her money, then leaves for a hotter, richer woman. Spurned lady spends a year feeling dirty and used, and just when she's begun to move on, he returns with flowers and playful charms. Still vulnerable, she crumbles, and her friends throw up their arms saying, "He's not even that good looking." In other news, Conrad Black returns to Canada.

2 **Let it be written:** As an example of necessity being the "mother of invention," researchers at Arizona State University have released a list of "commandments" for Facebook. Issues covered by the rules: acknowledging postings to your page by clicking "Like," inappropriate "poking" (never wise), and posting pictures of friends from a debauched weekend in Vegas. My favourite edict, not limited to FB, is "Thou shalt use common sense," which, ironically, supersedes a need for the list to begin with.

3 **Carrot caution:** A study released Wednesday out of Ohio University has found that consuming excessive amounts of beta carotene might not be good for you. Contrary to what we've been told for centuries, it can block some effects of vitamin A critical to vision, skin health, metabolism and immune function. Vision? It goes to show you just can't trust your mom anymore.

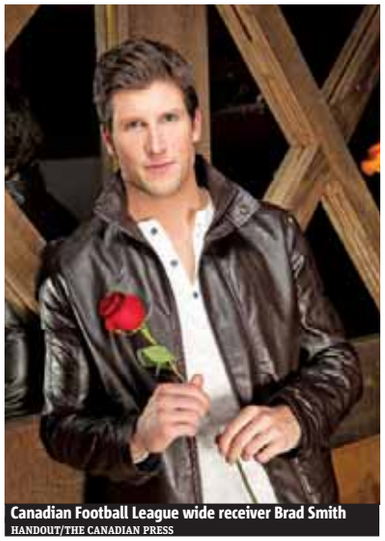
4 **Playing hardball:** Two years after Victoria's Secret combined two of men's favorite things by releasing their line of baseball-themed lingerie, they introduce the Blue Jays collection. With two types of sexy briefs (one leopard print), and two skimpy tees, they've given new meaning to the phrase "Sliding into home."

5 **United we stand:** Canadian awards shows the Genies and the Geminis, are joining forces to create just one all-encompassing program. This is great news for apathetic Canadians who now only have to not watch one show.

6 **Labour days:** Jessica Simpson has given birth to a 22-inch, nine-pound, 13-ounce baby girl. This explains the tremendous baby bump that prompted pregnant Jersey Shore star Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi to say, "I'd die if I ever got that big." Aw, Snooki, we don't want you to die. We just want you to go away. Gone.

7 **Hoops! My bad:** Some are saying the stress of the condensed NBA season has resulted in a post-season riddled with injuries. None more symbolic than when Knicks' Amare Stoudemire tempered the burning flames of his competitive passion after a brutal loss to Miami by punching a fire extinguisher. Someone might have mentioned requiring the hand to play out the series. Surprisingly, Amare skipped college to go pro.

8 **Canadian courtship:** Our nation's first TV Bachelor is CFL wide receiver Brad Smith, who can't wait to meet all the wonderful women who will join him in this consummate quest for love. He seeks independent, intelligent women who are "just as confident in a ponytail and sweats as they are all dressed up." And adds that high-maintenance women turn him off. Relax, Brad. Any intelligent woman willing to endure weeks of public judgment, cat fights and drama, all to potentially marry a CFL player, is probably not high-maintenance.



Canadian Football League wide receiver Brad Smith
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A 'Scream' is worth $119M

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Edvard Munch

Work of art sells for historic price

NEW YORK. Edvard Munch's The Scream made history on Wednesday night when it became the most expensive piece of art ever sold at auction.

After a fierce bidding war at Sotheby's New York, the 1895 pastel went to an anonymous buyer for $119.9 million US. The auction house was thrilled at the "historic" price on a night when sales topped $330 million US.

Simon Shaw, the head of impressionist and modern art for Sotheby's, said the painting was a good deal.

"If ever there was a work of art of true shock and awe, it is Edvard Munch's The Scream, which is not only one of the seminal images from art history, but also one of the visual keys to the modern consciousness."

The work is one of four versions by the Norwegian expressionist artist and was the only one still privately owned.

It is regarded as the most prized of the four as a poem written by the artist is on the frame.

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Scream-worthy poetry

"I was walking along the road with two friends. The Sun was setting — The Sky turned a bloody red And I felt a whiff of Melancholy — I stood Still, deathly tired — over the blue-black Fjord and City hung Blood and Tongues of Fire. My Friends walked on — I remained behind — shivering with Anxiety. I felt the great Scream in Nature."

Munch's poem written in blood red paint

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Modern art specialist Philip Hook

Why has this work of art been so popular?

It's one of the most important pictures ever in terms of fame and familiarity because it captures the modern man with his angst and alienation. It marked a new phase at the start of the 20th century when artists began portraying their own emotions.

What moral lessons can be found in it?

There is a comment on man's relationship with nature, but also it is based on guilt. When Munch painted this his father had just died and his sister was in a lunatic asylum.

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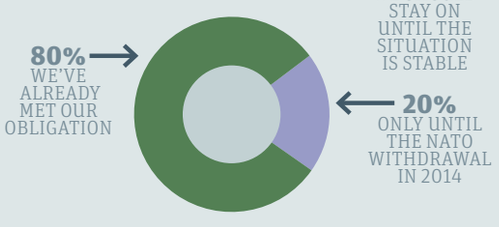
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@SooeySays: I for one welcome our underlord Black home. He wants "a justice system based on decency, efficiency and results, not on oafish posturing".

@meaghanjreid: vampire diaries and secret circle tonight<3

@gcsfred: @bthubbard Do u know the 4 Phases of Software Development? Euphoria, Disillusionment, Chaos, End With Honor to the Non-Participants

@jenna_macdonald: I don't know if this day could get any better but f--- if it did, I'd probably die #lovinglife #happygirltweet

@FeedleDeedee: I'm not sure how Full Metal Jousting fits on the History Channel, but I TOTALLY DON'T CARE

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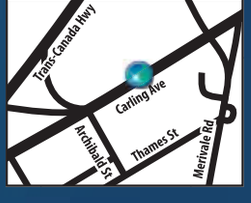

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Putting the 'super' in superhero films

Roundup. Richard Crouse and Mark Breslin dish on their favourite vigilante features

Richard: Mark, even though the ads guaranteed I would believe a man could fly, I'm not sure that my fifteen-year-old self actually thought Christopher Reeve was circling the earth in Superman: The Movie, but I do know I thought it was cool. And still do. I've seen it dozens of times and its blend of humour, action and nostalgia is worth its weight in Kryptonite.

Mark: The first Superman movie was the platinum standard in superhero films: graceful, even poetic. The sequels ruined its goodwill, but the quality of the original cannot be denied. But I think the world can be divided into two kinds of people: Superman people and Batman people, and I, Richard, seem to be a Batman person. Even the weakest in the Batman franchise still enthralls me; if we're talking about Christopher Nolan's The Dark Knight, we may be talking Godfather-level cinema.

RC: Of the big name superheroes we haven't mentioned Spider-Man yet. I liked the first Sam Raimi web slinger movie, complete with Tobey Maguire and the upside down kiss, but even cooler is Darkman. Raimi created the Darkman character out of frustration after failing to get the screen rights to The Shadow and Batman. Liam Neeson plays the swashbuckling hero in this violent and funny movie.

MB: Darkman is a dark horse entry, but yes, it's a good one and Neeson is fantastic in it. Wish I could share your enthusiasm for Spider-Man but I spent the entire movie wishing the dweeb would grow a pair. More like Spider-Boy to me. The series I prefer is the X-Men franchise, which seems to get more sophisticated with each release. And the Wolverine spin-off is a definite fave.

RC: I liked Wolverine's R-rated cameo in X-Men: First Class. Cool, underrated movie and his unfit-for-publication-in-a-family-paper-line is very memorable. Also memorable are a few movies about a lesser tier of superheroes. Everyone knows Batman and Superman, but how about Captain Invisible, the alcoholic hero who comes out of hiding to save America from destruction? Or the strange and funny Orgazmo from the twisted minds of South Park's Matt Stone and Trey Parker?

MB: And what about the lonely comic book superheroes never immortalized on film? When, oh when, will they make that masterpiece starring The Flash??? The scene where he'd do his taxes in three seconds flat would be worth the price of admission!

Synopsis

Lately it seems you couldn't swing Thor's hammer in a theatre without hitting a superhero movie, like this weekend's The Avengers, but movies about caped crusaders and heroes who can leap buildings in a single bound are nothing new. This week the Reel Guys use their superhuman powers to pick the best superhero movies of all time.

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SCENE

Scene in brief

D'Angelo sparkles

D'Angelo is making his comeback: the reclusive singer will give his first U.S. performance in 10 years at the 2012 Essence Music Festival. D'Angelo will perform during the festival's opening night. It runs from July 6 to July 8 in New Orleans and also features Trey Songz, Aretha Franklin, Mary J. Blige and many others. The soul singer's latest album is 2000's Voodoo. It went platinum and won two Grammy Awards, including best R&B album. His debut, 1995's Brown Sugar, was also a platinum effort. Since that, D'Angelo has stepped away from the music scene, drawing attention for his run-ins with the law.
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Fighting myths of growing up in LGBT family

My Two Moms.
20-year-old shares story of being raised by lesbian parents, dedicates book to sister

MEREDETH ENGELS
Metro New York

Zach Wahls lit up YouTube last year with his speech to the Iowa House Judiciary Committee in favor of same-sex marriage. Wahls is understandably passionate about the issue: He was raised in Iowa, with his biological sister, by a lesbian couple.

His powerful conclusion that "the sexual orientation of my parents has had zero effect on the content of my character" drew legions of supporters and fans, and the now-20-year-old is sharing his experiences in a new book, "My Two Moms: Lessons of Love, Strength, and What Makes a Family" (out Thursday). He spoke with Metro about his journey thus far.

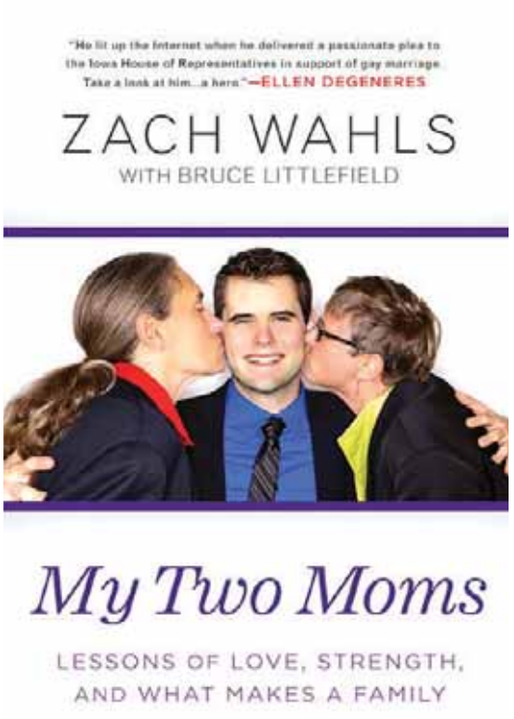
How did your speech in front of the Iowa House of Representatives come about?

In 2009, I was the columns editor for my high school newspaper. That spring the Supreme Court rules in this unanimous decision in Iowa to legalize same-sex marriage. I was really happy about that, so I wrote a column that was noticed by the law firm that had litigated Varnum v. Brien, the lawsuit that resulted in the legalization of same-sex marriage in Iowa. I met the communications director, and I didn't hear from her for a year.

Then, all of a sudden, I got a Facebook message, an email and a phone call on a Thursday afternoon saying, "There's this hearing on Monday, can you make it?" So I wrote my testimony over the weekend and then showed up on Monday night. By Wednesday, the video was starting to blow up. By Friday, the video was on its way to becoming the No. 1 YouTube political video of 2011. I still have difficulty wrapping my head around the whole thing sometimes.

Is your life much different now?

It is and it isn't. I spend a lot less time actually at my apartment in Iowa City. I made some new friends, but I'm still hanging out with the same guys, doing the same things. In some ways things are different, but in the majority of ways that matter most, they're the same.


"He lit up the Internet when he delivered a passionate plea to the Iowa House of Representatives in support of gay marriage. Take a look at him...a hero."—ELLEN DEGENERES
ZACH WAHLS
WITH BRUCE LITTLEFIELD
My Two Moms
LESSONS OF LOVE, STRENGTH, AND WHAT MAKES A FAMILY

Ellen DeGeneres called you a hero when you appeared on her show. How did that feel?

It's a label that makes me kind of uncomfortable sometimes, but I think more to the point, it's a testament to the values that my moms instilled in me and the effort they put in to raise my sister and me. I feel incredibly blessed to have the parents I have.

Has your father, with whom you don't have a relationship, reached out to you since all this has happened?

He was an anonymous sperm donor. We don't have any idea who he is — he doesn't even know that we exist.

I think it would certainly be interesting to meet him and learn more about him, but I don't have any interest in seeking him out.

What do you hope readers take away from this book?

I hope people understand the love and commitment that my moms have for each other, but also the love and commitment that binds us as a family. My hope is that this book is able to serve as a reminder that we are more alike than different.

Why did you dedicate the book to your younger sister, Zebby?

I wanted her to know just how much she means to me and how important it was for me to have her along for the ride. But then also, more metaphorically, she's one of the kids that I'm trying to talk to with this book.

The reason I decided to write the book was because I think that there is misinformation, so many myths and stereotypes being perpetuated by some people, that other young kids who have LGBT parents need to know — that despite what some of the talking heads on TV might say, they aren't damaged goods or child abuse victims or brainwashed or whatever.

And that's an important message I think to hear from one of us. Your parents are not gonna be the most unbiased forces, so I think having one of our own stand up and speak this truth, the power is really important.

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Sound Check

Tupac-style holograms: It was inevitable

SOUND CHECK
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Ever since Tupac's hologram resurrection at Coachella last month, people have been talking about the potential for this technology.

"Bring Michael Jackson back and the Jacksons can restage the Victory Tour of 1984!" they say.

The original line-up of The Who could do another farewell tour.

What would it be like to have Kurt Cobain and Jimi Hendrix in the same band at a show?

Reuters recently asked 1,100 people whom they would most like to see return from the dead.

The answer was Ray Charles.

Some critics find this most distressing and I understand that.

But we've been moving down this road towards virtual performers for decades.

When Queen released their Live Killers concert album in 1979, there was an outcry from purists who claimed that backing tapes were used to fill in some of the vocal parts.

Fans were shocked to find that live albums from many other artists were tarted up in the studio afterwards.

That's not very "live," is it?

Yet fans didn't care. After paying good money to see these bands, they wanted the songs to sound as close to what they heard on the radio and their stereos.

A few years later, the Human League was kicked off a Talking Heads tour because audiences became so hostile at the sight of a bunch of people dancing and singing to machines. Synth bands in general were shunned by rockers who believed that these artists were cheating by using electronics, and thus not "real" musicians.

But people got over it.

Synth bands not only survived but prospered.

Today, fans expect pitch-perfect note-for-note renditions of their favourite songs in concert and (where applicable) all kinds of dancing, special effects and costume changes.

The only way to do that is with Auto-Tune and backing tracks.

Meanwhile, fans watch most of the show on big video screens rather than watching the stage. Again, what's "live?"

Gorillaz sold millions of records as a virtual group.

Same with Canada's Prozzak. Hatsune Miku is an anime cartoon who performs with a live band in front of tens of thousands of screaming fans in Japanese arenas.

We live in a computer generated imagery world where technology blurs reality on TV screens, in theatres, in amusement parks and on computers.

Why wouldn't this be extended to the realm of live concerts?

Besides, don't we believe that all celebrities are fake, anyway?

Action

The Avengers

Director. Joss Whedon

Stars. Robert Downey Jr., Chris Evans, Scarlett Johansson

Great comic book movies, like great comic books, have to play their heroes and villains straight. The stakes have to be high and in the case of Marvel's The Avengers, the fate of the planet literally hangs in the balance. The humour is innately there (a bunch of costumed superheroes hanging out together is already absurd) but in director Joss Whedon's mammoth budgeted blockbuster, the humour is of the nudging, winking variety, almost as if Whedon is trying to convince the audience that he's smarter than the material. It's an obnoxious trait that bogs down what could have been a perfect mash up.

CHRIS ALEXANDER

Documentary

Bully

Director. Lee Hirsch

Stars. Alex, Ja'Meya, David Long

Bully is a heartbreaking film about how bullying can ruin lives and take them. Following victims of bullies across America, the film explores the problem and what is and isn't being done to stop it. Hirsch documents kids like Alex from Sioux City, Iowa, who are tormented daily. Here's where Hirsch steps in. The director makes no attempt to appear objective. He wants his film to make a difference; he wants to end bullying.

REGAN REID

Music

Hard Core Logo 2

Director. Bruce McDonald

Stars. Adrien Dorval, Care Failure, Shannon Jardine

To paraphrase Senator Lloyd Bentsen, "I knew Hard Core Logo, and sir, Hard Core Logo 2 is no Hard Core Logo." Instead it is a wonderfully heated examination of obsession, media and the march of time. Director Bruce McDonald has created a pop confection that sparkles with life and excitement. The gritty feel of the original movie is gone, replaced by an eclectic visual style that tells the story of a punk rock singer, played by the fiercely charismatic Care Failure, who just might be possessed by the spirit of the singer of Hard Core Logo.

RICHARD CROUSE

Drama

The Lady

Director. Luc Besson

Stars. Michelle Yeoh, David Thewlis

Biopics are a tricky tightrope to walk, especially when the subject is still living and their cause still a going concern. The film chronicles Burmese democracy activist Aung San Suu Kyi's political awakening as an adult living in England, flipping back and forth between historical markers and the strain her decisions put on her husband and two children. David Thewlis is fantastic as her long-suffering and supportive husband Michael Aris, and their scenes together prove to be the film's heart and soul.

IAN GORMELY

Drama

The Hunter

Director. Daniel Nettheim

Stars. Willem Dafoe, Sam Neill, Morgana Davies

In this contemplative thriller, Willem Dafoe plays a professional hunter hired by a biotech company to track down and kill the last remaining Tasmanian Tiger. The Hunter feels like two movies — the better one focuses on Dafoe's existential man-against-tiger journey. He is terrific fighting against the primordial forces of nature. That's the intriguing part. Unfortunately, when it narrows to focus on his paternal feelings for the family he rents a room from, the movie becomes less interesting.

RICHARD CROUSE

Quoted

"It did actually really scare me to step into this world and I didn't know that I could pull it off. It took some convincing from people like (co-star) Robert (Downey Jr.) and Joss. The thing that I was always worried about was just getting pigeon-holed by a big part like this. But now I'm at a point where I have a big enough body of work where this isn't going to make me or break me, really. It'll help, in a lot of ways."

Mark Ruffalo, talking about stepping into the role of the Hulk in The Avengers.

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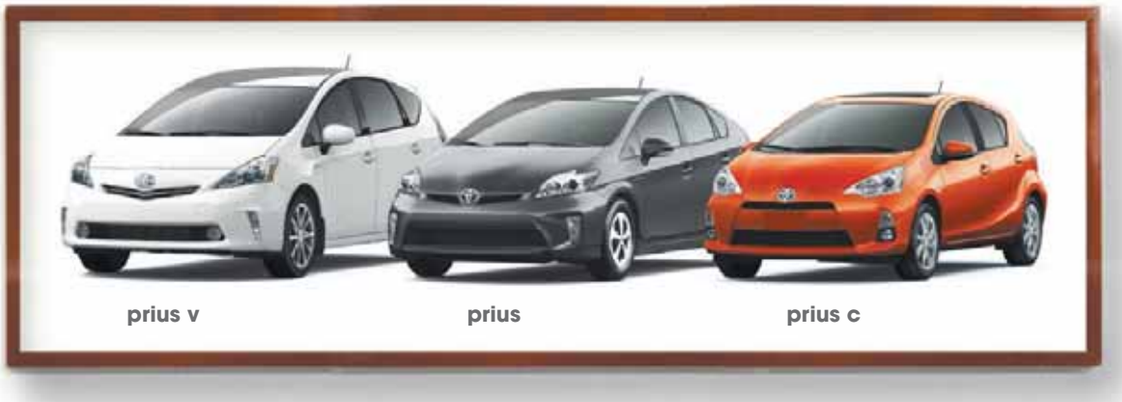

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Legend of a Warrior: Doc captures father and son reunion in the ring

Hot Docs. Filmmaker sets to reconnect with his estranged martial-arts-legend father

Forged in a harsh Hong Kong ghetto, Frank Lee came to Canada in 1960 and worked overnights at the rough-and-tumble Phoenix Cafe in Edmonton.

He was a waiter/busboy/bouncer and, as miscreants soon found out, a very talented martial artist. When trouble started, he ended it. Tough as nails, the five-foot-seven 155-pounder never lost a fight.

He went on to become a martial arts grandmaster out of the Edmonton gym dubbed Frank's Torture Chamber. And trained champions half a world away in Thailand and Hong Kong. Along the way, his family drifted apart.

So son Corey — a filmmaker — set about to reconnect. In 2011, he started training under his father, returning to the martial arts he had abandoned more than two decades before.

"He is my father. But I don't really know the man. I only know the legend," Corey says early on in Legend of a Warrior, which had its world premiere at the Hot Docs festival in Toronto this week.

Cameras captured their time together over some seven months. "I was hoping for some level of healing and some level of understanding," Corey, now 42, said in an interview this week.

He got that and more in an emotional journey that is lovingly captured in the 78-minute documentary.

The National Film Board project starts as a guarded father-son reunion in the ring at Frank's gym. But emotional walls are torn down during a trip to Hong Kong, where Frank first studied martial arts after leaving China with his family at the age of nine.

Tears flow as Frank rereads a letter he sent Corey from Hong Kong in February 1983 on yet another training mission that had taken him from his family. The man who can bend rebar with his neck or break cinder blocks with his hands cries as he laments the breakup of his family.

In talking about the scene, Corey is clearly wearing two hats as filmmaker and son.

"I was thankful that we got it on film, for sure," he said. "And I think I was just incredibly humbled by my father's honesty with me ... I hoped after reading that letter that it would inspire him to open up to me in a way. But I wouldn't have imagined that it would have been like that."

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Corey Lee, on the emotional journey captured in his documentary

Filmmaker Corey Lee. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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From Jessie's Girl to documentary star — Rick keeps rockin'

Rick Springfield. At 61, the '80s star won't do reality TV, but he is writing a series that he hopes to play the lead in

Rocker and former soap heartthrob Rick Springfield says he's angling to return to the small screen and is writing an edgy dramatic series in which he hopes to star.

The Australian-born '80s singer says he's been working on several TV scripts ever since he wrote a tell-all book that was released in 2010.

Springfield says he'd like to do a lot more acting after recent cameos that included the raunchy specialty series Californication, the geriatric sitcom Hot in Cleveland and a brief return to General Hospital where he reprised his role as the hunky Dr. Noah Drake.

So far, Springfield says most of his offers come from reality television but he's sworn off the genre.

"I've been offered those so many friggin' times," Springfield said during a recent stop in Toronto for the Canadian International Documentary Festival. "And (I'll) never (do) Dancing With the Stars. My wife said she'd divorce me if I ever did that. They ask me every year."

The 61-year-old still performs between 70 and 100 concerts a year and is gearing up to release a new album in the fall.

At the core of his fanbase is a group of ardent followers who trace their devotion to the early '80s, when Springfield broke onto the charts with his infectious smash Jessie's Girl.

Their unwavering loyalty — and sometimes-disturbing devotion — is the focus of the documentary An Affair of the Heart, which had its Canadian premiere at the Hot Docs festival earlier this week.

Reality check

"(I'll) never (do) Dancing With the Stars. My wife said she'd divorce me if I ever did that."
Rick Springfield

Amid plenty of concert footage, interviews and nostalgic looks back at Springfield's heyday, director Sylvia Caminer tracks down several "Rick-a-holics" and traces the myriad ways in which they connect with his music and have even managed to bond with the star himself.

"Some people have an addiction to cocaine, people like me have an addiction to Rick Springfield," one fan declares in a voiceover.

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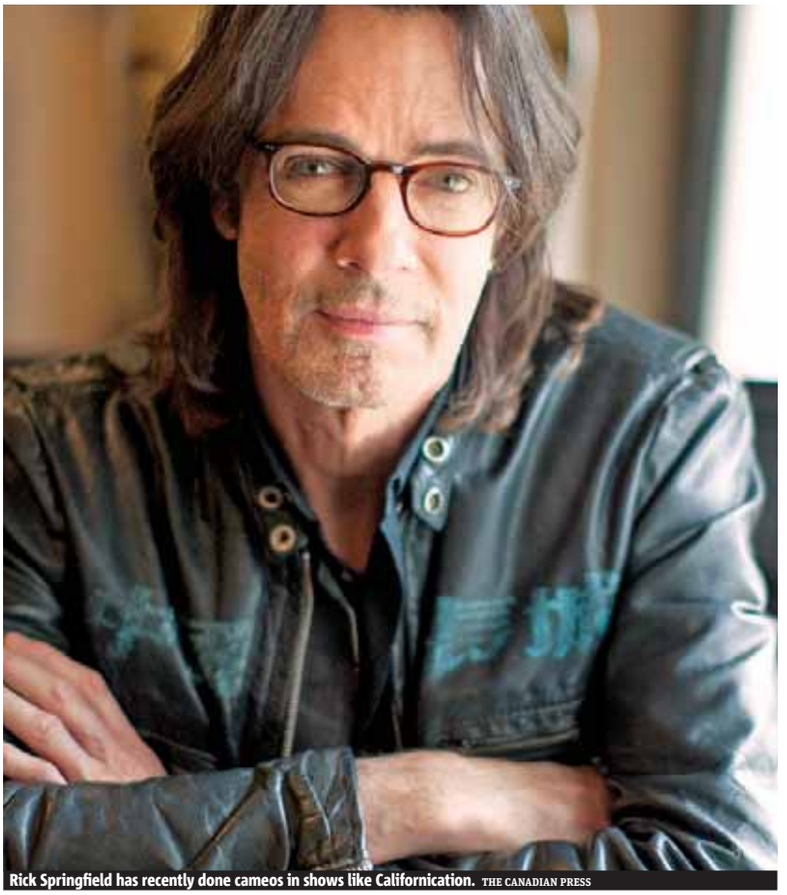

Rick Springfield has recently done cameos in shows like Californication. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Jiro Dreams of Sushi (G) Wed 6:55 Thu 4:45
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The Lady (STC) Fri 9:05 Sat 6:35 Sun 1:15-6:10 Mon-Tue 6:30 Wed-Thu 8:50
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The Hunter (14A) Fri-Thu 9
Les neiges du Kilimanjaro (14A) Fri 6:15 Sat-Sun 1:30-6:15 Mon-Thu 6:15
Sound of Music (Sing-A-Long) (STC) Sat-Sun 3:15
The Three Stooges (PG) Fri-Thu 6:30
Wrath of the Titans (14A) Fri 8:15 Sat-Sun 3:30-8:15 Mon-Thu 8:15

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Dark Shadows (14A) Digital Thu 10
The Hunger Games (14A) Digital Fri 3:10-6:10-9:10 Digital Sat-Sun 12:10-3:10-6:10-9:10 Digital Mon-Tue 3:10-6:10-9:10 Digital Wed 3:50-9:25 Digital Thu 3:10-6:10
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) Fri 3:30-6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:30

South Keys
2214 Bank St., 613-736-1115

21 Jump Street (14A) Fri-Sun 11:40-2:15-5-7:40-10:20 Mon 2:15-5-7:40-10:20 Tue 11:40-2:15-5-7:40-10:20 Wed-Thu 2:15-5-7:40-10:20
Chimpanzee (G) Fri-Sun 11:05-1:10-3:15-5:20-7:25-9:25 Mon 1:10-3:15-5:20-7:25-9:25 Tue 11:05-1:10-3:15-5:20-7:25-9:25 Wed 1:10-3:15-5:20-7:25-9:25 Thu 1:10-3:15-5:20-7:25
Dark Shadows (14A) Thu 10
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri-Mon 1:40-4:30-7:30-10:25 Tue 1:45-4:30-7:30-10:25 Wed 1:40-4:30-7:30-10:25 Thu 1:40-4:30-7:30-10:30
The Hunger Games (14A) Fri-Thu 12:35-3:45-7-10:10
The Lucky One (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3-5:25-7:50-10:15
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) Fri-Sun 11-12-2:20-3:20-5:40-6:40-9-10 Mon 12:10-2:20-3:20-5:40-6:40-9-10 Tue 11-12-2:20-3:20-5:40-6:40-9-10 Wed-Thu 12:10-2:20-3:20-5:40-6:40-9-10
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 11:30-12:30-2:50-3:50-6:10-7:10-9:30-10:30 Sun 11:30-12:40-2:50-3:50-6:10-7:10-9:30-10:30 Mon 12:40-2:50-3:50-6:10-7:10-9:30-10:30 Tue 11:30-12:40-2:50-3:50-6:10-7:10-9:30-10:30 Wed-Thu 12:40-2:50-3:50-6:10-7:10-9:30-10:30
One Man, Two Guvnors - Encore Presentation (STC) Sat 12:30
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Fri-Sun 12:15-2:30 Mon 2:30 Tue 12:15-2:30 Wed-Thu 2:30
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The Raven (18A) Fri 11:15-1:55-4:35-7:15-9:50 Sat 4:35-7:15-9:50 Sun 11:15-1:55-4:35-7:15-9:50 Mon 1:55-4:35-7:15-9:50 Tue 11:15-1:55-4:35-7:15-9:50 Wed 1:55-4:35-7:15-9:50 Thu 1:45-4:15-9:50
Safe (14A) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:05-5:30-7:45-10:05
Short Circuit (STC) Sat 11

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The Lucky One (G) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:20-6:50-9:20 Mon 6:50 Tue 12:50-3:20-6:50-9:20 Wed-Thu 9:10
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40 Mon 6:40 Tue 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40 Wed-Thu 6:40-9:40
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (G) Fri-Sun 1:10-3:10-7:10-9:10 Mon 7:10 Tue 1:10-3:10-7:10-9:10 Wed-Thu 7:10-9:10
Safe (13+) Fri-Sun 1-3:20-7-9:20 Mon 7 Tue 1-3:20-7-9:20 Wed-Thu 7-9:20
Toutes nos envies (STC) Tue 1-3:30 Wed-Thu 7

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1100 boul. Maloney Ouest, 819-568-8000

21 Jump Street (13+) Fri-Mon 7-9 Tue-Thu 1:40-5:45-8:45
Le 2e voyage l'île mystérieuse (G) Fri-Mon 1:55-3:35-5:15-7 Tue-Thu 12-3:35-5:15-7
Alvin et les Chipmunks: Les naufragés (G) Fri-Mon 12-2:15-5:35 Tue-Thu 12-3:25
Les aventures de Tintin (G) Fri-Mon 12
Disparue (G) Fri-Mon 5-8:45 Tue-Thu 1:45-5:10-7:40-9:20
Miroir, Miroir (G) Fri-Mon 1:45-3:40-7:20-9:15 Tue-Thu 12-1:55-3:50-7-9
Nous avons acheté un zoo (G) Fri-Thu 12
Les trois Stooges (G) Fri-Mon 4:05-5:45-7:25-9:10 Tue-Thu 2:10-3:50-5:35-7:15-9
Un monstre à Paris (G) Fri-Mon 12-1:35-3:10

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American Reunion (13+) Fri 2:35-5:35-8:15-10:55 Sat 11:45-2:35-5:35-8:15-10:55 Sun 2:35-5:35-8:15-10:55 Mon 7:15-9:50 Tue 2:35-5:35-8:15-10:55 Wed-Thu 7:15-9:50
The Cabin in the Woods (13+) Fri-Sun 12:25-2:40-5:10-7:45-10:05 Mon 10:05 Tue 12:25-2:40-5:10-7:45-10:05 Wed 10:05 Thu 7:45
Dark Shadows (STC) Thu 10
Das Rheingold (STC) Wed 6:30
Dérapages (G) Fri-Sun 12:05-2:25-5-7:20-10:10 Mon 6:55-9:15 Tue 12:05-2:25-5-7:20-10:10 Wed-Thu 6:55-9:15
The Five-Year Engagement (13+) Fri-Sun 2-4:50-7:50-10:40 Mon 7:05-9:55 Tue 2-4:50-7:50-10:40 Wed-Thu 7:05-9:55
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Hunger Games: Le Film (G) Fri-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:15-10:20 Mon 7:15-10:20 Tue 1:10-4:10-7:15-10:20 Wed-Thu 7:15-10:20
The Intouchables (G) Fri-Sun 12:20-2:55-5:30-8:10-10:45 Mon 6:50-9:35 Tue 12:20-2:55-5:30-8:10-10:45 Wed-Thu 6:50-9:35
The Lucky One (G) Fri 2:30-5:05-7:25-10:15 Sat 11:50-2:30-5:05-7:25-10:15 Sun 2:30-5:05-7:25-10:15 Mon 7:25-10:15 Tue 2:30-5:05-7:25-10:15 Wed 7:25-10:15 Thu 7:25
Marvel Les Avengers: Le film 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 12:30-3:50-7:10-10:30 Mon 7:10-10:30 Tue 12:30-3:50-7:10-10:30 Wed-Thu 7:10-10:30
Marvel Les Avengers: Le film (STC) Fri 2:50-6:10-9:30 Sat 11:40-2:50-6:10-9:30 Sun 2:50-6:10-9:30 Mon 6:10-9:30 Tue 2:50-6:10-9:30 Wed-Thu 6:10-9:30
Marvel's the Avengers (STC) Fri 2-5:20-8:40 Sat 11-2-5:20-8:40 Sun 2-5:20-8:40 Mon 8:40 Tue 2-5:20-8:40 Wed-Thu 8:40 Star & Strollers Screening, Thu 1:30
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 12-1-3:20-4:20-6:40-7:40-10-11 Mon 6:40-7-10-10:10 Tue 12-1-3:20-4:20-6:40-7:40-10-11 Wed 6:40-7:40-10-11 Thu 6:40-7-10-10:10
Ombres et ténèbres (STC) Thu 10
Les Pirates Bande de Nuls (G) Fri-Sun 12:45 Tue 12:45 Thu 1
Les Pirates Bande de Nuls 3D (G) Fri-Sun 3-5:15-7:30-9:45 Mon 7:30-9:45 Tue 3-5:15-7:30-9:45 Wed-Thu 7:30-9:45
The Raven (13+) Fri-Sun 12:10-2:50-5:25-8-10:35 Mon 7:20-9:55 Tue 12:10-2:50-5:25-8-10:35 Wed-Thu 7:20-9:55
Safe (13+) Fri-Sun 1:05-3:25-5:45-8:05-10:25 Mon 8:05-10:25 Tue 1:05-3:25-5:45-8:05-10:25 Wed-Thu 8:05-10:25
Wagner's Dream (STC) Mon 6:30

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The Hunger Games (14A) Fri 6:50-9:55 Sat-Sun 12:35-3:45-6:50-9:55 Mon-Wed 4:40-7:50 Thu 1:05-4:40-7:50
The Lucky One (PG) Fri 7:40-10 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:40-7:40-10 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:20
Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) Fri 7:30-10:45 Sat-Sun 1-4:10-7:30-10:45 Mon-Thu 5-8:15 Star & Strollers Screening, Thu 1
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) Fri 7-8:30-10:15 Sat-Sun 12:30-2-3:40-5:10-7-8:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:30-5:20-7:45-8:30
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Sat-Sun 12:40-2:45 Mon-Wed 5:10 Thu 1:15-5:10
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) Fri 7:10-9:20 Sat-Sun 5-7:10-9:20 Mon-Thu 7:10

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2385 City Park Dr., 613-688-8800

21 Jump Street (14A) Fri-Sun 12:10-2:50-5:25-8:05-10:35 Mon-Thu 2:50-5:25-8:05-10:35
American Reunion (14A) Fri-Thu 7:45-10:15
The Cabin in the Woods (18A) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:25-5:50-8:10-10:25
Dark Shadows (14A) Thu 10
Das Rheingold (STC) Wed 6:30
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Thu 12:40-2:55-5:10
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri-Sat 11:15-2:05-4:55-7:50-10:45 Sun-Thu 2:05-4:55-7:50-10:45
The Hunger Games (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20
The Lucky One (PG) Fri-Sat 12:50-3:10-5:40-8:15-10:50 Sun-Tue 12:50-3:15-5:40-8:15-10:45 Wed 12:35-3:15-5:40-8:15-10:45 Thu 12:50-3:15-5:40-8:15-10:45
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) Fri-Sat 12-12:30-3-3:30-6-6:30-9-9:30 Sun 12-2-3:10-5:10-6:20-8:20-9:30 Mon-Thu 2-3:10-5:10-6:20-8:20-9:30
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 1-4-7-10 Sun-Thu 1:30-4:40-7:50-10:50 Fri-Sat 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 Sun-Thu 12:30-3:40-6:50-10
Marvel's the Avengers: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) Fri-Sat 11-2-5-8-11 Sun-Thu 1-4:10-7:20-10:30
Mirror Mirror (PG) Fri-Sun 12:15-2:40-7:25 Mon 1:15 Tue 1:15-7:25 Wed-Thu 1:15
One Man, Two Guvnors - Encore Presentation (STC) Sat 12:30
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Fri-Tue 12:45 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1 Thu 12:45
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 3:05-5:15-7:35-9:45
The Raven (18A) Fri 12:05-2:45-5:20-8-10:40 Sat 5:20-8-10:40 Sun 12:05-2:45-5:20-8-10:40 Mon-Wed 2:45-5:20-8-10:40 Thu 2:45-5:20-10:40
Safe (14A) Fri-Thu 1:05-3:20-5:45-8:20-10:35
Short Circuit (STC) Sat 11
Think Like a Man (PG) Fri-Sat 11:05-1:55-4:50-7:40-10:30 Sun-Tue 1:55-4:50-7:40-10:30 Wed 4:50-7:40-10:30 Thu 1:55-4:50-7:40-10:30 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
This American Life Live! Things You Can't Do On the Radio (STC) Thu 8
Wagner's Dream (STC) Mon 6:30
Wrath of the Titans (14A) Fri-Sun 5:05-9:50 Mon-Tue 3:50-9:50 Wed 3:50-10:05 Thu 3:50

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Dark Shadows (14A) , Digital, Thu 10
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Digital, Fri-Sun 12:50-3:50-7:30-10:30 Digital, Mon 3:50-7:20-10:10 Digital, Tue 12:50-3:50-7:30-10:30 Digital, Wed-Thu 3:50-7:20-10:10
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The Lucky One (PG) Digital, Fri-Sun 1:20-4:10-6:40-9:30 Digital, Mon 4:15-7:30-9:45 Digital, Tue 1:20-4:10-6:40-9:30 Digital, Wed-Thu 4:15-7:30-9:45
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) Digital, , Fri-Sun 11:55-3-7:10-10:20 Digital, , Mon 3-7-10:15 Digital, , Tue 11:55-3-7:10-10:20 Digital, , Wed-Thu 3-7-10:15
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) Digital, , Fri-Sun 12:30-3:40-6:50-10 Digital, , Mon 3:40-6:50-10 Digital, , Tue 12:30-3:40-6:50-10 Digital, , Wed-Thu 3:40-6:50-10 , , Digital Fri-Sun 12:15-1-3:20-4:30-6:30-8-9:40 , , Digital Mon 3:20-4:30-6:30-8-9:40 , , Digital Tue 12:15-1-3:20-4:30-6:30-8-9:40 , , Digital Wed-Thu 3:20-4:30-6:30-8-9:40
Les Pirates Bande de Nuls (PG) Digital, Fri-Sun 11:45 Digital, Tue 11:45
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Digital, Fri-Sun 1:30 Digital, Tue 1:30
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) , Digital Fri-Sun 3:50-6:15-9 , Digital Mon 3:45-6:15-9 , Digital Tue 3:50-6:15-9 , Digital Wed 3:45-6:15-9 , Digital Thu 3:45-6:15
The Raven (18A) , Digital Fri-Sun 9:50 , Digital Mon 9:30 , Digital Tue 9:50 , Digital Wed-Thu 9:30
Safe (14A) Digital, Fri-Sun 1:40-4:20-7:20 Digital, Mon 4-7:10 Digital, Tue 1:40-4:20-7:20 Digital, Wed-Thu 4-7:10

Kanata

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801 Earl Grey Dr., 613-599-1200

21 Jump Street (14A) Fri-Sun 10:50-1:45-4:25-7:15-10 Mon-Thu 4:25-7:15-10
American Reunion (14A) Fri-Sun 11:30-2:20-5-7:45-10:25 Mon-Thu 2:20-5-7:45-10:25
The Cabin in the Woods (18A) Fri-Sun 11:15-1:55-4:25-7:10-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:25-7:10-9:30
Chimpanzee (G) Fri-Sun 10:45-12:50-2:55-5-7:05-9:10 Mon-Thu 2:55-5-7:05-9:10
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Sun 10:55-1:15-3:30-5:45-7:55 Mon-Thu 3:30-5:45-7:55
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri-Sun 11:10-2-4:50-7:40-10:30 Mon-Thu 2-4:50-7:40-10:30 Fri-Sun 11:10-2-4:50-7:40-10:30 Mon-Thu 2-4:50-7:40-10:30 Fri-Sun 10:30-11:10-1:30-2-4:20-4:50-7:10-7:40-10-10:30 Mon-Thu 2-4:50-7:10-7:40-10-10:30
The Hunger Games (14A) Fri-Sun 11-2:10-5:20-8:30 Mon-Thu 2:10-5:20-8:30 Fri 11:50-3:50-7-10:20 Sat 3:50-7-10:20 Sun 11:50-3:50-7-10:20 Mon-Thu 3:50-7-10:20
Lockout (14A) Fri-Thu 10:25
The Lucky One (PG) Fri-Sun 11:05-2:05-4:40-7:10-9:40 Mon-Thu 2:05-4:40-7:10-9:40
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) Fri-Sun 12:50-4:10-7:20-10:30 Mon-Thu 2:40-5:50-9
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 11-11:50-12:20-2:10-3:10-3:40-5:20-6:20-6:50-8:30-9-9:30-10 Sun 11-11:50-12:20-2:10-3:10-3:40-5:20-6:20-6:50-8:30-9:30-10 Mon-Thu 2:10-3:10-5:20-6:20-6:50-8:30-9:30-10
Marvel's the Avengers: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) Fri-Sat 10:20-1:30-4:40-7:50-11 Sun 10:20-1:30-4:40-8 Mon-Thu 4:10-7:20-10:30
Mirror Mirror (PG) Fri-Sun 11:55-2:30-5:05-7:40-10:10 Mon-Thu 2:30-5:05-7:40-10:10
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Fri 10:30-12:45-3-5:15-7:30-9:45 Sat 11:55-3-5:15-7:30-9:45 Sun 10:30-12:45-3-5:15-7:30-9:45 Mon-Thu 3-5:15-7:30-9:45
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 11-1:15-3:30-5:45 Sun 11-1:15-3:30-5:45-8 Mon-Thu 3:30-5:45-8
The Raven (18A) Fri-Sun 11:45-12:15-2:15-2:45-4:45-5:15-7:15-7:45-9:50-10:20 Mon-Wed 2:45-5:15-7:15-7:45-9:50-10:20 Thu 2:45-5:15-7:45-10:20
Safe (14A) Fri-Sun 10:35-12:25-12:55-2:45-3:15-5:05-5:35-7:25-7:55-9:45-10:15 Mon-Wed 3:15-5:35-7:25-7:55-9:45-10:15 Thu 3:15-5:35-7:55-10:15
The Three Stooges (PG) Fri-Sun 11:40-2:20-4:40-7:20-9:40 Mon-Thu 2:20-4:40-7:20-9:40
Wrath of the Titans (14A) Fri-Sun 11:45-2:15-4:45-7:15-9:50 Mon-Thu 2:15-4:45-7:15-9:50

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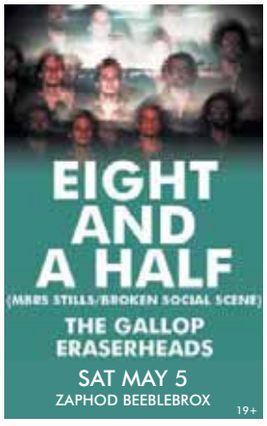

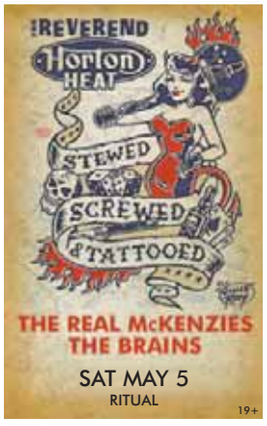

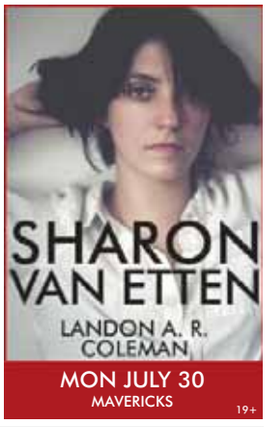

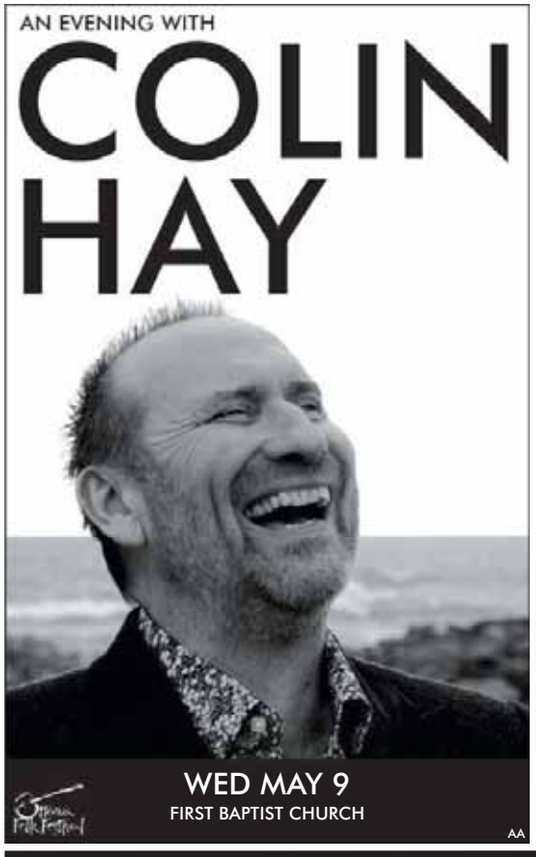

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Jack White taps into a blue vein on solo album

New music. White's first solo album Blunderbuss blends electronic rages, country blues and rockabilly

Jack White's first solo album debuted at number one on the Billboard charts. HANDOUT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Jack White is musing on his latest colour scheme.

"What if blues musicians like Robert Johnson and Blind Willie McTell actually wore blue clothes?" White wonders, laughing.

The former White Stripe has bathed his first solo album, Blunderbuss, with a pale blue palette. It informs the album artwork, the touring stage presentation and the outfits of his backing band, which alternates between all-male and all-female lineups. Since he was a teenage upholsterer in Detroit, White has carefully colour-coordinated his work. While recording Blunderbuss in his studio in Nashville, Tenn., White played with a pale blue telecaster and an old pale blue amplifier.

"I said, 'Well, these are my hand tools. It's all going to build up from this,"' says White.

The resulting 13 tracks may be the best compendium yet of his particular blend of American music. There's electric rages (Sixteen Saltines), country blues (Trash Tongue Talker), rockabilly (Rudolph Toombs' I'm Shakin,' the lone cover) and folk ballads like the lilting Hip (Eponymous) Poor Boy. After funneling his songwriting through various band conceptions — the White Stripes, the Raconteurs, the Dead Weather — White is directing his latest production without artifice. Or at least, less artifice.

"The funniest thing is that every album I've done and every band I've been in have been happy accidents, including this one," says White, speaking from his home in Nashville.

"If you just write songs and don't tell them what to be — don't tell the song to be a country song or a rock 'n' roll song — then it becomes what it needs to be in the end." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Blunderbuss

Blunderbuss, which debuted on the Billboard album charts this week at No. 1 with about 138,000 copies sold, according to Nielsen SoundScan, was a particularly unplanned process.

- **In studio.** When the rapper RZA didn't make it to a scheduled session at White's studio, White decided to start working up some songs of his own. It wasn't until well into the process that those in the room — a collection of session musicians and others — understood the project taking shape.

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New Girl's creator builds TV's new Fempire

Liz Meriwether.
Woman behind series talks about how new female perspectives are being sought by television networks

"Hey girl," sings Zooey Deschanel each week at the start of her popular Fox comedy New Girl.

"It's Jess," goes the song, referring to Deschanel's adorably loopy lead character. But the song could just as easily be sung about the woman behind the series, screenwriter and executive producer Liz Meriwether.

The 30-year-old, who grew up in Michigan (her father was the publisher of The Detroit Free Press), looks even younger. And, yes, she gets that "looks younger" thing all the time.

"I do, I do, thank God," she says. "Better that then, 'Oh, you look 40.'" Especially in the world of television, where youth is coveted as much by network executives as it is by advertisers.

What's changing is how much a female perspective is also now being sought. New Girl, along with 2 Broke Girls, Whitney, Don't Trust the B- in Apartment 23 and HBO's Girls, are current comedies created by and exploring the lives of young women.

"I really feel we're in a moment when they are embracing that perspective," Meriwether says of today's network programming executives. "I don't know what's in the air — Bridesmaids or something — but I did not have trouble protecting the character and really writing what I wanted to write."

Meriwether is seen as part of the Fempire, a group of young, female screenwriters crashing what for years has been a boy's club. Diablo Cody (Juno) and Lorene Scafaria (Nick and Nora's Infinite Playlist) are established players in that group, but Whitney, 2 Broke Girls creator Whitney Cummings and Girls creator and star Lena Dunham are also at TV's female forefront.

Behind her breezy manner lies an Ivy league education. Meriwether holds degrees from both Yale and Princeton. "I'm a big nerd," she confesses.

Before penning the pilot for New Girl, Meriwether wrote several stage plays, including Oliver Parker! And her 2011 romantic comedy feature No Strings Attached starred Ashton Kutcher and Natalie Portman.

"I like to write relationship stories and sexual stories," she says, singling out the New Girl episode where Jess finally has sex with her on-again, off-again ex, Paul (guest star Justin Long).

"That's the kind of thing I want to explore, the awkward connections she's making in the world."

Fox wasn't quite ready to go down that route a few years ago when Meriwether pitched her first sitcom to the network. "It was about three girls, a young, 'Sex and the City' type story," she says, recalling lots of questions from network executives, such as, 'If they like to have sex, are they, like, smart?'"

That show's title probably didn't help to close the deal: Sluts. Even New Girl started out with a more provocative title: Chicks and Sticks.

Meriwether says she's ever fascinated with the interplay between men and women, explored each week by Jess. THE CANADIAN PRESS

New Girl's star Zooey Deschanel and creator Liz Meriwether. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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All about Bruce

Bruce Cockburn: Pacing The Cage, debuting tonight, follows the legendary Canadian folk singer-songwriter as he tours and records his live Slice O' Life CD. Cameras also go into his home, where Cockburn discusses everything from his activism to religion and parenthood. Included is never-before-seen concert footage and appearances by a slew of stars, including Bono. (VisionTV).

Rashida traces her ancestry

Parks and Recreation cast member Rashida Jones researches her maternal family history on Who Do You Think You Are? Her journey takes her to her grandmother's native country, Ireland, where she learns about her family's origins in Eastern Europe. (Citytv, NBC).

Saturday

Eli set to go live from New York

Fans of both Saturday Night Live and football are buzzing over whether Eli Manning, the New York Giants quarterback and two-time Super Bowl champion, will score a touchdown or fumble as Saturday's host. The musical guest is Rihanna. (Global, NBC).

Rihanna is the musical guest on this weekend's Saturday Night Live. GETTY IMAGES

No holds Barr-ed for Roseanne

Roseanne Barr: Blonde and Bitchin' sees the comedy star wisecracking on everything from the time her kids found her "stash," to Viagra users, to former U.S. vice-president Dick Cheney. (The Comedy Network).

Sunday

Plenty of finales on deck

CTV has the season finales of The Amazing Race and GCB, where the Dallas drama queens get into trouble during a groundbreaking ceremony for Carlene's Christian condos in Mexico. Meanwhile, Amanda learns a secret about Ripp. (The Amazing Race also airs on CBS while GCB also airs on ABC).

Secret and surprise on Mad Men

Speaking of secrets, Mad Men's Peggy has kept one to herself for a while and it's starting to eat away at her. Elsewhere, Don gets a surprise and Pete helps a pal. (AMC). THE CANADIAN PRESS

Bird breaks through with Break It Yourself

New music. Latest songs plot songwriter's trajectory from a breakup in Chicago to a new life in New York

LINDA LABAN
Metro World News

One week after Andrew Bird filmed an appearance on Jimmy Kimmel Live! in Los Angeles, the singer-songwriter and violinist is back home in New York with his segment due to air that night.

Apart from Saturday Night Live, Bird has done just about all the late night TV shows. "Colbert was a high point," he says, admitting he's a big Stephen Colbert fan. He's confident that SNL will happen "in due time."

And Bird is due. Break It Yourself has just been released.

"I call it my ninth album," Bird says. "It's the ninth album that's had a cycle to it. There's been a live record and soundtracks. If you count them all up, there's probably 15 or 16."

That includes his pre-solo outfit Andrew Bird's Bowl of Fire, which highlighted the 38-year-old's love of pre-war jazz before his singer-songwriter turn. Bird's future work, however, might take yet another musical twist.

"I continue to write songs that make sense as an Andrew Bird record, but I hear things that I don't know how to pull off yet. All I can say is what I am hearing is less pop-oriented and more devotional or religious. Not religious in the sense of 'Jesus I love you,'" he emphasizes.

"It seems like it might be time to do something a little different."

The antisocial network

Andrew Bird is a Chicago native, but has called New York City home for almost two years. Break It Yourself plots his trajectory from a breakup to a new life there.

"I don't tend to write songs where there's any mention of breaking any hearts. There's a theme on the record of being self-contained, self-satisfied, I suppose.

"A lot of New Yorkers are experts at that. I'm puzzling through whether that's a virtue, not needing anyone else. I've got my own solitary, antisocial leanings. I'm kind of questioning those on the record."

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Andrew Bird

Andrew Bird. GETTY IMAGES

Mick Jagger. Two-time musical guest to host Saturday Night Live

Mick Jagger will test his comic chops later this month as host of the Saturday Night Live season finale.

The Rolling Stones frontman has been a musical guest twice before on the long-running NBC show, and the network said Thursday he will perform musically on the May 19 finale.

But he has never been host before, a job that usually requires participation in several comic skits.

The Rolling Stones mark their 50th anniversary as a band this year, but have yet to announce any activities to commemorate the occasion.

Jagger last year put out a disc as part of a group called SuperHeavy, which also included reggae singer Damian Marley and former Eurythmics founder Dave Stewart.

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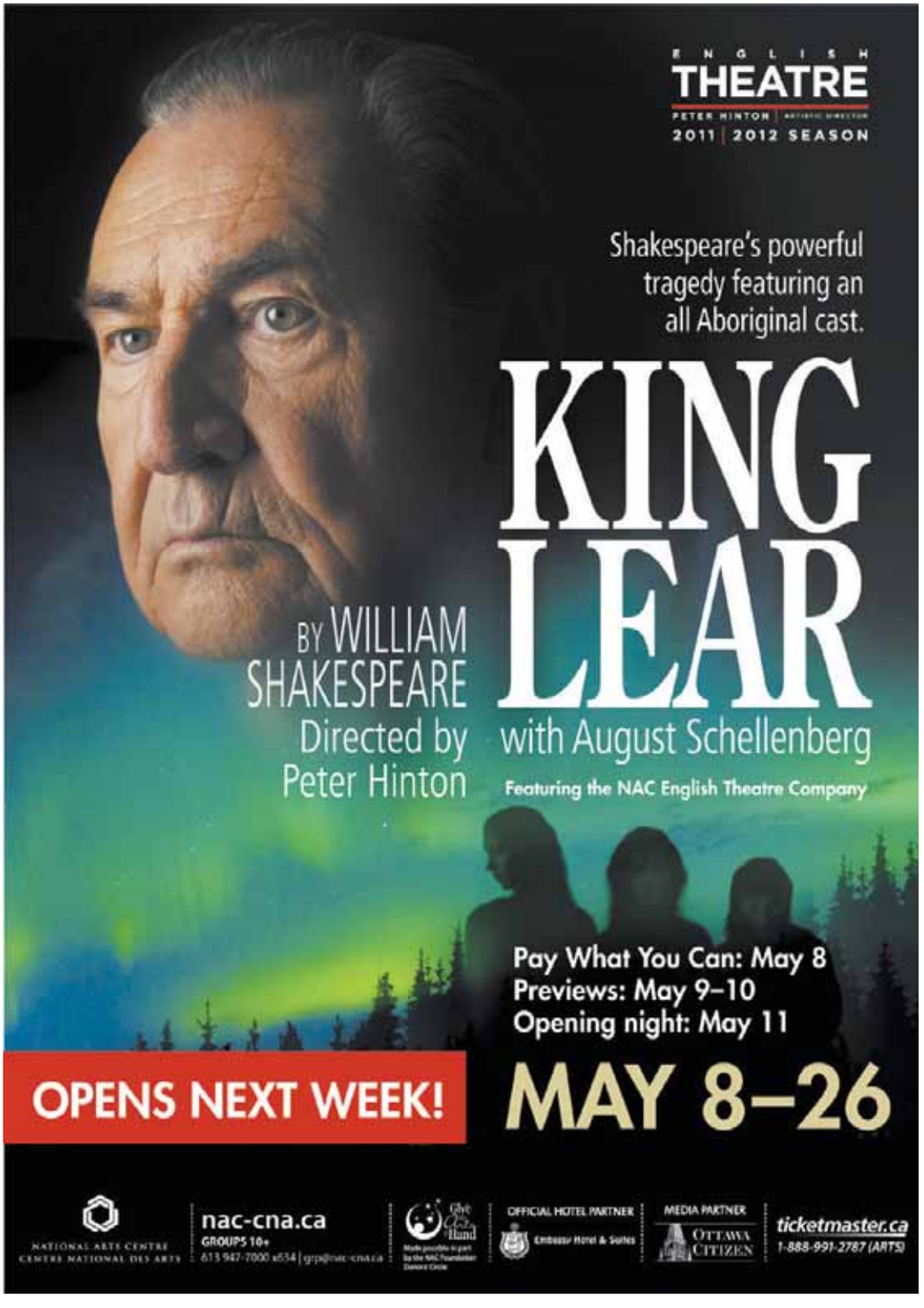


This record label has legs

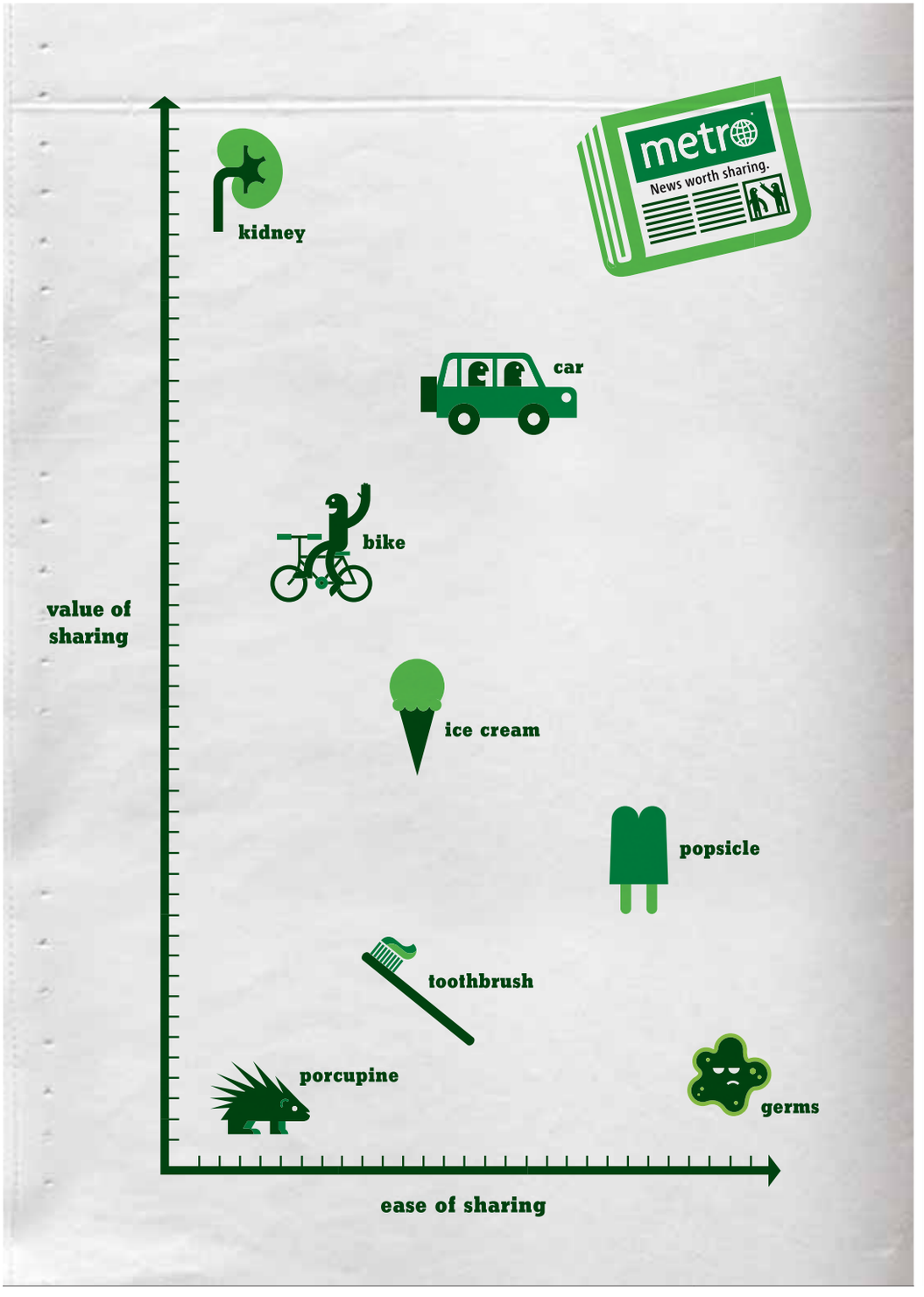
Arts & Crafts. The band that launched it all announced their retirement, but other acts on the label achieve far-reaching success

A gob-smacked Leslie Feist rose to accept her third Juno Award recently, the lofty artist of the year honour. Only a few minutes prior, a similarly stunned Dan Mangan walked across the stage to collect his second Juno trophy, for new artist of the year.

Mangan and Feist are labelmates on the Toronto indie Arts & Crafts, and their five wins that night represented a bountiful haul for an imprint that had lost its supposed meal ticket roughly six months prior.

That was when the groundbreaking collective Broken Social Scene announced via Twitter that its Nov. 8 show in Rio de Janeiro would be its last, with an indefinite hiatus to immediately follow.

Once upon a time, a broken Broken could have spelled the end for Arts & Crafts, the label co-founded by that band's singer Kevin Drew and former Virgin Records executive Jeffrey Remedios.



Leslie Feist. GETTY IMAGES

But with a roughly 60-person cheering section toasting the label's success at the Junos, the end sure didn't appear in sight. And the moment was made only sweeter considering that one of Arts & Crafts' greatest victories yet, occurred with its defining act confined to the sidelines.

"It really made us feel like, 'OK, we kind of bleed in the trenches every day and it's nice to see that people are recognizing the work of these great artists,"' Remedios said of the Juno acclaim in a recent telephone interview.

Arts & Crafts was born just under 10 years ago. Drew and rock veteran Brendan Canning — an erstwhile member of hHead and By Divine Right — had invited Remedios to listen to a near-finished cut of the second disc they'd been working on under the Broken Social Scene banner, this time with help from a broad collection of friends and peers from the Toronto indie scene.

Remedios was blown away by what would become You Forgot It In People. He recalls pitching Drew on the idea of starting an "artist-services based company."

"We didn't really know what that meant at the time," he admits now — suggesting that they self-release the stunning record, a crackling collection of ornate indie rock.

You Forgot It In People was released in October 2002, to breathless reviews and feverish demand locally. It took time for word to spread beyond the borders of Ontario's capital, but within a year — and largely ignited by a fawning review in the influential Chicago webzine Pitchfork — Broken Social Scene was an international success story with enough celebratory clippings to cover the many fridges of the group's many members.

"Broken, of course, was a bit of a rocketship and took off," Remedios recalls.

One of the many fortunate features of Arts & Crafts' first hit act? Given its collective nature, Broken Social Scene had the capacity to spawn a seemingly endless array of side projects from its loose group of talented locals, and Arts & Crafts was more than happy to release those albums and, in many cases, manage the artists' fledgling careers.

Over its first few years, Arts & Crafts issued albums by Scene spinoffs Jason Collett, Apostle of Hustle, Valley of the Giants, Stars and Feist, who broke out on her own to become perhaps the label's most commercially and critically successful star.

"I used to always joke: 'If you ever want to start a music company, I highly recommend you do it with Broken Social Scene,"' Remedios said.

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The Wanted are comfortable with their label, but choosing how they will define it

Blessing or curse?

Band refused to learn how to dance to fit in the boy band-box, but have learned to embrace the moniker

Part of The Wanted's excitement over its recent success in America comes from being initially dissed in its native United Kingdom.

"Some radio stations in the U.K. who found out we were a boy band refused to play (our music)," said member Nathan Sykes. "They were like, 'We love the song, but we can't play boy bands because we'll lose our credibility."'

Added Max George: "These are like the most uncool people in the world."

Being a boy band has somewhat haunted the British based-quintet since its formation in 2009. People in the industry have tried to put the group in a box; the guys were even told at one point they'd need to learn how to dance.

"We're like, 'No! No chance,"' Sykes recalled. "And then we moved record labels very shortly afterward."

But coming to America — and achieving some success — is a dream come true for the group. After releasing two top five albums and five hit singles in Europe, they've now duplicated some of that in America with the party jam Glad You Came, which has spent eight weeks in the top 10 on Billboard's Hot 100 chart. Their U.S. manager is Scooter Braun, who also manages Justin Bieber.

"In America, before they even questioned who we were, they were like, 'We like the song. Let's play it,"' said Jay McGuiness. "And that changed things for us."

The Wanted drop a full-length album this fall. The EP features songwriting and production work by Diane Warren, Ryan Tedder, Claude Kelly, Steve Mac and Wayne Hector. And they almost recorded a song written by Adam Levine.

"It's difficult with someone like him though," George said. "How are we going to record that and make it sound better?"

The Wanted are on the scene when boy bands have made an official comeback, with fellow Brits One Direction leading the pack. But The Wanted — whose youngest member is 18 and oldest is 23 — says the group isn't a typical boy band, mainly because they play instruments: George is on bass, McGuiness plays the drums, the piano for Sykes, while Tom Parker and Siva Kaneswaran are on guitar. Still, they don't reject the label, despite some of the early predicaments it caused.

"I was nearly ill at the thought of being in a boy band," Sykes admitted. "But then we sat down, had a meeting and we were like, 'No, this is how we want to do it differently. We want to have a new take on boy bands.'"

"We love all of our fans, but it isn't specially aimed at boy-band fans," McGuiness said. "Our music can crossover to everyone, and we try not cheese people out too much."

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Tom Parker of The Wanted sits down for an interview in New York City.
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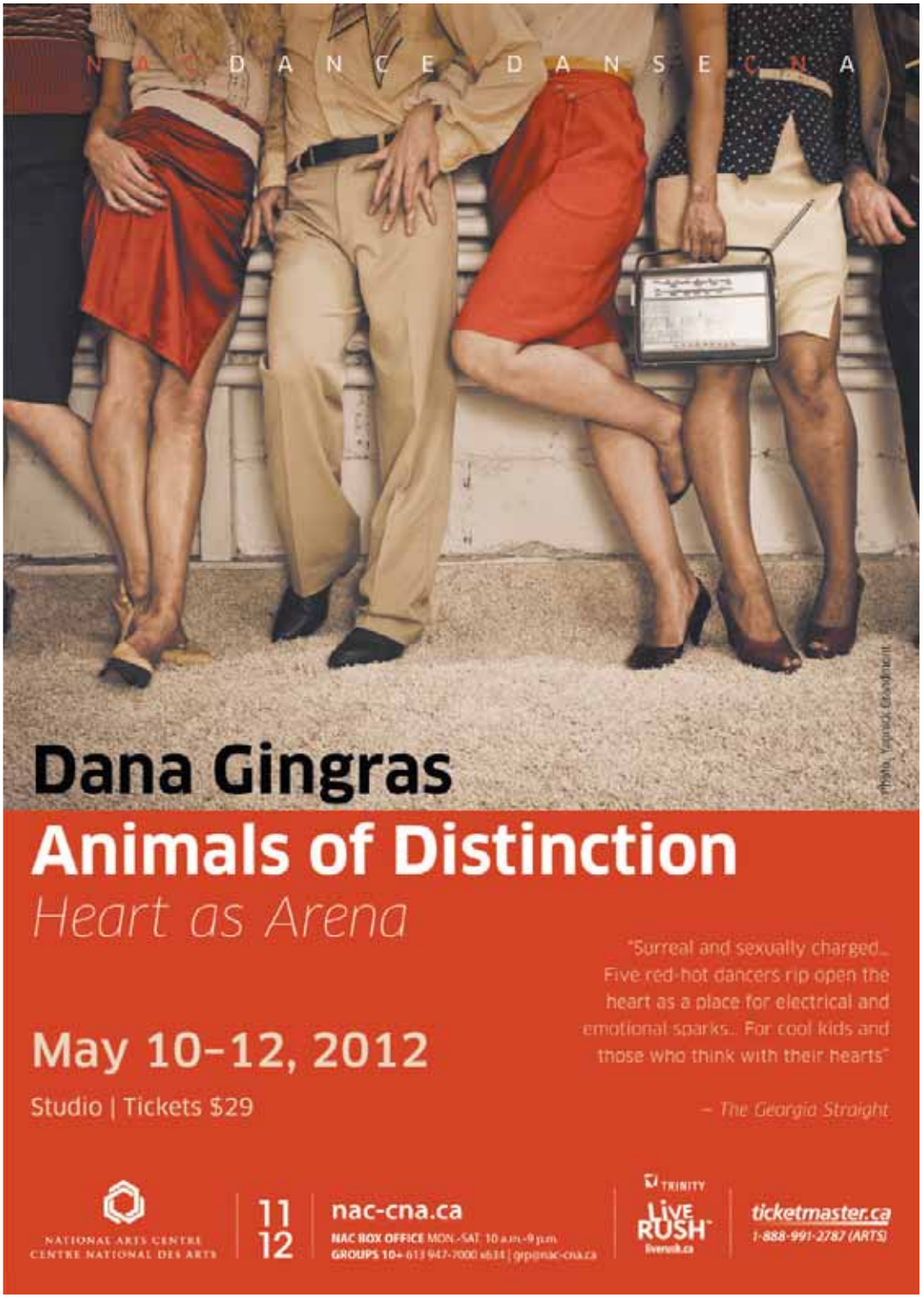
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Cut it out Cameron, it's just some hair

A recent rushed visit to a hairdresser friend left Cameron Diaz with much shorter locks than expected — and tears in her eyes.

"I started crying. I felt so vulnerable. For a woman to all of a sudden have no hair — oh my God," she tells Jay Leno during an interview. "There was a little misunderstanding. I said I just want a little bit cut off."

But a bit quickly turned into a bob, which turned traumatic for all involved.

"She started crying. I started crying. A couple other people started crying. I ended up writing her a few emails over the next few days assuring her I was OK," Diaz says.

Amber Riley

Amber Riley strikes back

Let's hear it for Glee star Amber Riley. After a red carpet fainting spell earlier in the week, she's on the (hilarious) defensive about her personal life — including whether or not she's expecting.

"Let me stop the rumour mill right now. I'm not pregnant. Yes, I'm black but I don't have diabetes, I don't starve myself to fit clothes; I buy clothes to fit me not vice versa," Riley posted to Twitter in response to the rumours that sprouted up overnight after her episode.

"I did get a great laugh this morning reading all the BS, though."

Miley makes a dog Happy

Miley Cyrus added a fourth dog to her pet roster after finding a Rottweiler-Beagle mix abandoned outside a shopping centre, she revealed on Twitter.

"He was left in a box in front of Walmart," Cyrus posted. "I don't understand how people can be so cruel. That's why we named him Happy."

Cyrus spent the rest of the day posting photos of Happy enjoying his new environment.

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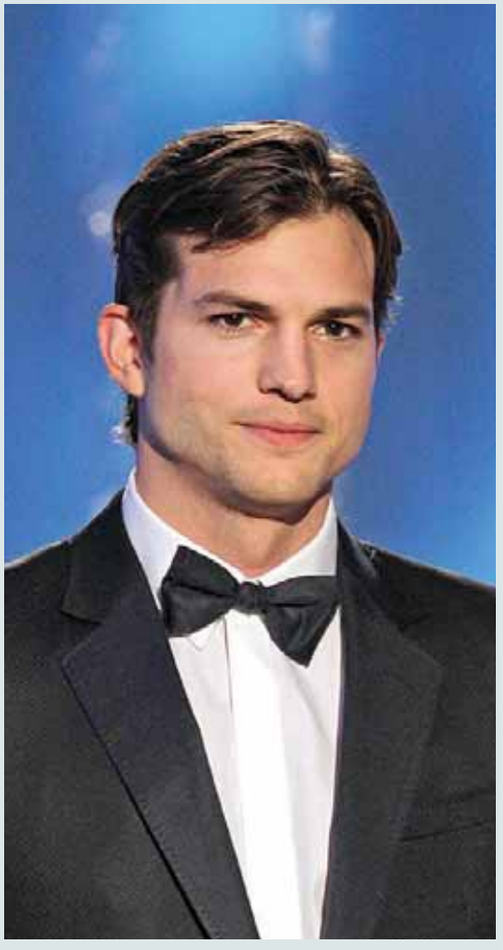

Seriously Ashton, that's just plain racist

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Poor Popchips. They just wanted to get people to eat their unique snack food (a.k.a. communion wafers with salt) but their recent online ad campaign is backfiring spectacularly.

The face of the campaign, Ashton Kutcher, is currently facing criticism for his roles in the commercials that many feel are racist, according to E! News. In the online video, Kutcher appears as numerous ridiculous characters, including Raj, a brown-faced Bollywood producer with a thick Indian accent. (Kutcher also appears as a character sending up Karl Lagerfeld that could be construed as homophobic.)

Overwhelmingly negative responses to the advertisement prompted Popchips to remove it from YouTube and Facebook a day after it was released.

"The new Popchips worldwide dating video and ad campaign featuring four characters was created to provoke a few laughs and was never intended to stereotype or offend anyone," a company rep said in a statement to the Hollywood Reporter.

Here's the thing someone should have told Popchips: Kutcher can't act. At all. His version of "acting" is basically over the top parody — all the time. So when he gets tapped to portray someone of a different race, even in a comedic role, of course it will be seen as mockery/racism. The only actor who could tackle this without getting in trouble? Sir Ben Kingsley. Popchips, get that guy on the phone ASAP.

Lady Gaga. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Lady Gaga single again

Lady Gaga and boyfriend Taylor Kinney have reportedly called it quits, with the culprit being the singer's hectic schedule, according to Us Weekly.

"She will be touring nonstop until next year and has found she can't have a relationship at the same time," a source says of Gaga, who is about to embark on a 110-stop tour.

"There's just no room for anything else. Her work is all-consuming." Of course, to hear the source tell it, the relationship might not have lasted much longer on its own, anyway. "Taylor was all about himself, a typical actor, and didn't completely get Gaga," the source says.

Brangelina makes some time just for the kids

After Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt celebrated their engagement with a trip to the Galapagos Islands, it was clearly time for something just for the kids.

So the family of eight — in the U.K. to start work on Jolie's next film — headed to the Legoland amusement park this week, according to Us Weekly. The park is apparently high on the list of destinations for the globe-trotting family — it's the fifth time they've visited.

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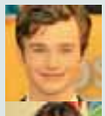

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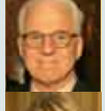

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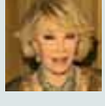

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Congratulations to Jessica Simpson on the birth of her baby girl! The only downside is that when her water broke 200 patients drowned.

Liquid Assets

Cool caliente bites with fresh Corona

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I've had a long standing respect for tequila, but the distilled output of agave plants is by no means the only booze stamped "Made in Mexico."

With Cinco de Mayo celebrations a day away and Salma Hayek shilling for Burger King, south of the border (the American one at least) things are heating up.

Sadly, the country's superstar brand — Corona Extra (6x330 ml, $12.95 - $14.09) — gets a bum rap from beer aficionados thanks to its lean-bodied flavour and clear glass bottle (which fanatics swear allows natural light to affect its flavour).

Whatever you believe, Corona is a great beer to have with any food that's eclectic — especially if it's spicy.

Of course, the last thing I would do is allow a bartender to jam a wedge of lime into any Corona bottle I've ordered. They may seem to go together like Brad and Angelina but the union of lime and liquid really began as a way to keep flies out of an opened bottle. It turns out that the acidity in the citrus makes them bug off.

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Cinco de Mayo gets a splash of vibrant colour

This recipe serves six. MATTHEW MEAD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Carne Asada with Confetti Salsa. The combination of fruity salsa & marinated meat makes this the perfect Mexican meal

The more time the sirloin tips bathe in this recipe's punchy marinade of lime juice, Worcestershire sauce and garlic, the better. So while the instructions call for marinating the meat for about two hours, don't hesitate to toss it in as you head out to work in the morning. You'll be rewarded when you get home and crank up the grill.

The accompanying salsa is a chunky hodge-podge of bell pepper, tomatillos, avocado, mango, tomato and red onion, with a bit of heat from a chipotle chili in adobo. But to save time, you could substitute a mango or other fruity jarred salsa.

1. In a large zip-close bag, combine the sirloin tips, lime juice, salt, Worcestershire sauce, olive oil, black pepper and garlic cloves. Shake to coat the meat. Refrigerate for two hours.

2. Meanwhile, in a large bowl combine the bell pepper, tomatillos, avocado, mango, tomato, red onion, chipotle, adobo sauce, garlic, lime juice and cilantro. Stir well, then season with salt and black pepper. Refrigerate for 30 minutes before serving.

3. When ready to cook the steak, heat a grill to high.

4. Drain the meat, discarding the marinade. Use paper towels to pat the meat dry. Sear on the grill, about four minutes per side for medium-rare. Serve with the confetti salsa.

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Ingredients

For the meat:
- 2 pounds sirloin tips
- 2 tbsp lime juice
- 1 tsp salt
- 2 tbsp Worcestershire sauce
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 1 tsp black pepper
- 2 cloves garlic, smashed

For the salsa:
- 1 yellow pepper, cored, diced
- 3 tomatillos, diced
- 1 avocado, pitted and diced
- 1 mango, pitted and diced
- 1 large tomato, diced
- 1/2 small red onion, diced
- 1 chipotle in adobo sauce, minced
- 1 tbsp adobo sauce
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 3 tablespoons lime juice
- 1/4 cup chopped cilantro
- Salt and ground black pepper

This recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mole Chicken Enchiladas. Made easy

1. In blender, combine onion, garlic, almond butter, water, broth, tomatoes, bread, hot sauce, cocoa powder, chili powder, cumin, cinnamon and lime juice. Blend until smooth, then transfer to sauté pan. Bring to simmer over medium heat, stirring often, and cook for eight minutes. Taste, then season with salt and pepper.

2. Add chicken to pan and stir well. Return to simmer and cook just until heated through.

3. Wrap tortillas in damp paper towel, then microwave for 20 seconds, or until tender.

4. One at a time, spoon some of the mole chicken filling down the centre of each tortilla. Roll, then arrange on a serving platter. Repeat with remaining tortillas and filling. Spoon a bit more of the filling over the rolled enchiladas, then crumble the queso blanco over them.

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Ingredients

- 1 small onion, quartered
- 1 clove garlic
- 1 cup almond butter
- 1 cup water
- 1/2 cup chicken broth
- 1/2 cup diced tomatoes
- 1 slice soft sandwich bread
- 1 tbsp hot sauce
- 1 tbsp cocoa powder
- 1 tsp ancho chili powder
- 1/2 tsp ground cumin
- 1/4 tsp cinnamon
- Juice of 1 lime
- Salt and black pepper
- Meat from a 2-lb rotisserie chicken, pulled into bite-size pieces
- 8 corn tortillas
- 1/2 cup crumbled queso blanco cheese (shredded cheddar or Jack cheese can be substituted)

3 LIFE

History

Celebration

Cinco de Mayo celebrates the victory of the Mexican Army over the French at the Battle of Puebla in 1862. Celebrations include not only wonderful Mexican foods, but also parades, mariachi music and folk dancing.

Traditional Mexican cuisine varies vastly from region to region in Mexico.

The earliest Mexican agricultural staples were beans, squash and chili peppers, with corn arriving some 2,000 years later. Staples expanded to include avocados, coconuts, tomatoes, sweet potatoes, peanuts, chia seeds, and more varieties of beans.

The herb of choice was usually epazote, similar to cilantro in its strong, pungent flavours. Meanwhile, meats included turkeys, ducks, quail, peccaries, pigeons, and a wide variety of fish and shellfish.

Early traditional dishes included atole (porridge), tortilla, tamales (filled pastries, both savory and sweet) and soups. The cuisine has expanded to include a wide variety of dishes way beyond burritos, tacos and salsa.

METRO

On the web

Cinco de Mayo goes sweet with a recipe for Mexican chocolate honey cake

4 SPORTS

Quoted

"I'm sorry to say, Superman is dead. All of us can appear to be super, but all of us need to reach out and find support when we're hurting."

Shawn Mitchell, a chaplain for the San Diego Chargers, Junior Seau's former team. The San Diego County medical examiner's office ruled Seau's death a suicide on Thursday. The autopsy said Seau died of a gunshot wound to the chest. The medical examiner's office was awaiting a decision by the family Thursday on whether to turn over Seau's brain to unidentified outside researchers for study. Seau died Wednesday in his home in suburban Oceanside, Calif.

On the web

Victoria's Ryder Hesjedal is set to start the storied Giro Italia this weekend as the team leader for Garmin-Barracuda. Hesjedal says the three-week long 3,503.9-kilometre race "can be harder" than the Tour de France. Scan the code for the story.

The Rangers celebrate Marian Gaborik's goal in triple overtime on Wednesday night in Washington. PATRICK MCDERMOTT/GETTY IMAGES FILE

'It felt like it was never going to end'

NHL. New York and Washington rest up after gruelling triple overtime Game 3

The New York Rangers played what amounted to two games over two days just to get one win against the Washington Capitals.

Each team scored a goal in the second period, then skated the ice for the next 83 minutes before Marian Gaborik gave the Rangers a 2-1 victory at 14:41 of the third overtime to end the 20th longest game in the history of the Stanley Cup playoffs, a matchup that began Wednesday night and spilled into Thursday.

If it was the decisive game of the series, Rangers coach John Tortorella might have been more enthusiastic. Instead, he looked at the win for what it was: A gritty performance that gave New York a 2-1 lead in a best-of-seven that doesn't seem likely to end anytime soon.

"It's one game," Tortorella said in a conference call Thursday. "You take the good things out of it and try to keep momentum on your side."

It's impossible to say whether the good vibes the Rangers gained with the win will carry into Saturday, when the teams meet in Washington for Game 4.

"We have confidence in our team," Washington's Troy Brouwer said. "I mean, if we continue playing like we did, creating offence, blocking shots, you know, playing good, patient hockey, we'll be successful."

Capitals coach Dale Hunter played in a four-overtime game and now has stood behind the bench in a three-overtime thriller. He lost both games, but neither of them ended a series.

"Well, you go into triple overtime it's a special game," Hunter said in the wee hours Thursday. "But it's just one game and you got to bounce back."

Gaborik won it in the 115th minute. The game started at 7:40 p.m. on Wednesday and ended at 12:14 a.m. Thursday.

Rangers goaltender Henrik Lundqvist was too exhausted to let out a yell afterward. More than excitement, he experienced relief.

"It's a feeling where, usually, I scream because I'm so excited. I was just too tired," Lundqvist said after his 45-save performance. "I kept saying 'Oh my God, it's over.' I mean, oh my God. It felt like it was never going to end." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Quoted

"It's nice that both teams get two days to recoup. This way, they both get to come back and get two days' rest and you see a better hockey game."

Capitals coach Dale Hunter, on recovering for Saturday's Game 4.

CFL draft

Riders take local player Heenan with No. 1 pick

The Saskatchewan Roughriders held true to their word, taking offensive lineman Ben Heenan with the first overall pick of the 2012 CFL Canadian college draft on Thursday.

There was no intrigue or mystery to the pick as Riders president Jim Hopson announced earlier in the day that the six-foot-four, 310-pound Heenan would be selected. Heenan spent the last four years at the University of Saskatchewan and was the top-ranked prospect for the draft before finishing No. 2 in the final listing. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Jim Hopson, Riders president and CEO, and Ben Heenan. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

NHL

Torres to appeal 25-game ban

Phoenix Coyotes forward Raffi Torres is appealing the length of his 25-game suspension.

Torres was penalized last month after landing a late hit on Chicago forward Marian Hossa. Torres and the NHLPA will meet with commissioner Gary Bettman about the length of the suspension, but not the ban itself. The NHLPA said there's no date for the meeting, but the collective bargaining agreement stipulates the commissioner "will endeavour to rule promptly on any such appeal." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Tampa Bay	18	8	.692	—
Baltimore	16	9	.640	1½
Toronto	14	11	.560	3½
New York	13	11	.542	4
Boston	11	13	.458	6

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	12	10	.545	—
Chicago	12	12	.500	1
Detroit	12	12	.500	1
Kansas City	7	16	.304	5½
Minnesota	6	18	.250	7

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	17	8	.680	—
Oakland	13	13	.500	4½
Seattle	11	16	.407	7
Los Angeles	10	15	.400	7

Yesterday's results
Tampa Bay 4 Seattle 3
Cleveland at Chicago White Sox
N.Y. Yankees at Kansas City
Toronto at L.A. Angels
Wednesday's results
Toronto 11 Texas 5
Baltimore 5 N.Y. Yankees 0
Cleveland 6 Chicago White Sox 3
Kansas City 3 Detroit 2
L.A. Angels 9 Minnesota 0
Oakland 4 Boston 2
Tampa Bay 5 Seattle 4
Tonight's games — All Times Eastern
Chicago White Sox (Peavy 3-1) at Detroit (Smyly 1-0), 7:05 p.m.
Texas (Lewis 3-0) at Cleveland (J.Gomez 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (W.Chen 2-0) at Boston (Lester 1-2), 7:10 p.m.
Oakland (T.Ross 1-1) at Tampa Bay (Price 4-1), 7:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 3-0) at Kansas City (B.Chen 0-3), 8:10 p.m.
Toronto (H.Alvarez 1-2) at L.A. Angels (E.Santana 0-5), 10:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Pavano 1-2) at Seattle (Vargas 3-2), 10:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	15	9	.625	—
Atlanta	15	11	.577	1
New York	13	12	.520	2½
Philadelphia	13	13	.500	3
Miami	11	14	.440	4½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	16	9	.640	—
Cincinnati	12	12	.500	3½
Houston	11	14	.440	5
Milwaukee	11	14	.440	5
Pittsburgh	11	14	.440	5
Chicago	9	16	.360	7

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	17	8	.680	—
Arizona	13	12	.520	4
Colorado	12	12	.500	4½
San Francisco	12	13	.480	5
San Diego	9	17	.346	8½

Yesterday's results
Cincinnati 4 Chicago Cubs 3 (10 inn.)
Miami 3 San Francisco 2
Philadelphia 4 Atlanta 0
Pittsburgh 6 St. Louis 3
Arizona at Washington
Wednesday's results
Atlanta 15 Philadelphia 13 (11 inn.)
Chicago Cubs 3 Cincinnati 1
Colorado 8 L.A. Dodgers 5
Houston 8 N.Y. Mets 1
Miami 3 San Francisco 2 (10 inn.)
San Diego 5 Milwaukee 0
St. Louis 12 Pittsburgh 3
Washington 5 Arizona 4
Today's games — All Times Eastern
L.A. Dodgers (Billingsley 2-1) at Chicago Cubs (Maholm 2-2), 2:20 p.m.
Cincinnati (Cueto 3-0) at Pittsburgh (Correia 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (K.Kendrick 0-2) at Washington (Strasburg 2-0), 7:05 p.m.
Arizona (Miley 3-0) at N.Y. Mets (Gee 2-2), 7:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Lohse 4-0) at Houston (Harrell 1-2), 8:05 p.m.
Atlanta (T.Hudson 1-0) at Colorado (Moscoso 0-1), 8:40 p.m.
Miami (Jo.Johnson 0-3) at San Diego (Bass 1-3), 10:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Greinke 3-1) at San Francisco (Lincecum 2-2), 10:15 p.m.

TENNIS

WTA BUDAPEST GRAND PRIX

At Budapest, Hungary
Singles — Quarter-finals
Sara Errani (1), Italy, def. Alberta Brianti, Italy, 6-4, 6-0.
Marina Erakovic (5), New Zealand, def. Barbora Zahlavova Strycova, Czech Republic, 6-2, 1-6, 6-4.
Anna Tatishvili, Georgia, def. **Aleksandra Wozniak, Blainville, Que.**, 5-7, 7-6 (4), 6-4.

ATP-WTA ESTORIL OPEN

At Oeiras, Portugal
Men's Singles — Second Round
Juan Martin Del Potro (1), Argentina, def. Rui Machado, Portugal, 6-1, 6-0.
Albert Ramos (4), Spain, def. Bjorn Phau, Germany, 7-5, 6-0.
Joao Sousa, Portugal, def. Denis Istomin (5), Uzbekistan, 3-6, 6-3, 4-2 (retired).
Women's Singles — Quarter-finals
Roberta Vinci (1), Italy, def. Nadia Petrova (7), Russia, 6-2, 1-6, 6-4.
Kaia Kanepi (6), Estonia, def. Petra Cetkovcka (4), Czech Republic, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.

CFL

2012 CANADIAN DRAFT

Selections yesterday from the 2012 CFL draft (with team, player, position and school):
First Round
1. Saskatchewan, Ben Heenan, OL, Saskatchewan; 2. B.C. (via Edmonton and Toronto), Jabar Westerman, DL, Eastern Michigan; 3. Winnipeg (via Hamilton), Tyson Pencer, OL, Washington State; 4. Edmonton (via B.C. and Montreal), Austin Pasztor, OL, Virginia; 5. Calgary, Ameet Pall, DL, Wooford; 6. Edmonton, WR Shamawd Chambers, WR, Wilfrid Laurier; 7. B.C., Kirby Fabien, OL, Calgary.
Second Round
8. Hamilton (via Winnipeg and Saskatchewan), Courtney Stephen, DB, Northern Illinois; 9. Toronto, Cleyon Laing, DE, Iowa State; 10. Hamilton, Frederic Plesius, LB, Laval; 11. Montreal, Patrick Lavoie, RB, Laval; 12. Saskatchewan (via Calgary), Sam Hurl, LB, Calgary; 13. Hamilton (via Winnipeg), Carson Rockhill, OL, Calgary; 14. Edmonton (via B.C.), Justin Capicciotti, DL, Simon Fraser.

NHL PLAYOFFS

STANLEY CUP

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS

(Best-of-7)
All Times Eastern

EASTERN CONFERENCE
N.Y. RANGERS (1) VS. WASHINGTON (7)
(N.Y. Rangers lead series 2-1)
Wednesday's result
N.Y. Rangers 2 Washington 1 (3OT)
Tomorrow's game
N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 12:30 p.m.
Monday, May 7
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 9
x-N.Y. Rangers at Washington, TBA
Saturday, May 12
x-Washington at N.Y. Rangers, TBA
PHILADELPHIA (5) VS. NEW JERSEY (6)
(Series tied 1-1)
Last night's result
Philadelphia at New Jersey
Sunday's game
Philadelphia at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 8
New Jersey at Philadelphia, TBA
Thursday, May 10
x-Philadelphia at New Jersey, TBA
Saturday, May 12
x-New Jersey at Philadelphia, TBA

WESTERN CONFERENCE
ST. LOUIS (2) VS. LOS ANGELES (8)
(Los Angeles leads series 2-0)
Last night's result
St. Louis at Los Angeles
Sunday's game
St. Louis at Los Angeles, 3 p.m.
Tuesday, May 8
x-Los Angeles at St. Louis, TBA
Thursday, May 10
x-St. Louis at Los Angeles, TBA
Saturday, May 12
x-Los Angeles at St. Louis, TBA
PHOENIX (3) VS. NASHVILLE (4)
(Phoenix leads series 2-1)
Wednesday's result
Nashville 2 Phoenix 0
Tonight's game
Phoenix at Nashville, 7:30 p.m.
Monday, May 7
Nashville at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Wednesday, May 9
x-Phoenix at Nashville, TBA
Friday, May 11
x-Nashville at Phoenix, TBA
x — played only if necessary.

LATE WEDNESDAY

RANGERS 2, CAPITALS 1 (3OT)

First Period
No Scoring.
Penalty — Staal NYR (slashing) 16:32.
Second Period
1. N.Y. Rangers, Callahan 3 (Del Zotto, Gaborik) 6:41 (pp)
2. Washington, Carlson 1 (Semin, Alzner) 11:10
Penalties — Laich Wash (hooking) 5:43, Callahan NYR (slashing) 11:50.
Third Period
No Scoring.
Penalties — Knuble Wash (goaltender interference) 14:25, Richards NYR (tripping) 16:12.
First Overtime
No Scoring.
Penalty — Semin Wash (tripping) 17:32.
Second Overtime
No Scoring.
Penalties — None.
Third Overtime
3. N.Y. Rangers, Gaborik 2 (Richards, Girardi) 14:41
Penalty — Green Wash (high-sticking) 2:35.
Shots on goal by

N.Y. Rangers	10	12	5	10	6	6	—49
Washington	13	8	8	8	7	2	—46

Goal — N.Y. Rangers: Lundqvist (W,6-4); Washington: Holtby (L,5-5). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — N.Y. Rangers: 1-4; Washington: 0-3.
Referees — Chris Rooney, Dan O'Rourke.
Linesmen — Steve Miller, Brad Kovachik.
Att. — 18,506 (18,398) at Washington, D.C.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Giroux, Pha	7	8	15
Briere, Pha	7	3	10
McDonald, StL	5	5	10
J.Staal, Pgh	6	3	9
D.Brown, LA	4	5	9
B.Richards, NYR	4	5	9
Voracek, Pha	2	7	9
Vermette, Phx	5	3	8
Zajac, NJ	5	3	8
Crosby, Pgh	3	5	8
Malkin, Pgh	3	5	8
Berglund, StL	3	4	7
Parise, NJ	3	4	7
Gaborik, NYR	2	5	7
B.Schenn, Pha	2	5	7
Clarkson, NJ	1	6	7

Not including last night's games

GOLF

PGA WELLS FARGO

At Charlotte, N.C.
Par 72 (36-36)
First Round

Ryan Moore	32-33—65
Stewart Cink	31-34—65
Webb Simpson	31-34—65
Rickie Fowler	33-33—66
John Senden	32-34—66
D.A. Points	33-33—66
Brian Davis	31-35—66
Patrick Reed	32-34—66
Billy Mayfair	33-34—67
Brendon de Jonge	33-34—67
Brian Harman	34-33—67
Tommy Gainey	35-33—68
Kevin Stadler	34-34—68
Martin Flores	34-34—68
Seung-Yul Noh	36-32—68
Jonas Blixt	34-34—68
Jeff Overton	34-34—68
Hunter Haas	32-36—68
Arjun Atwal	34-34—68
Vijay Singh	33-35—68
Rocco Mediate	35-33—68
Nick Watney	35-33—68
Alexandre Rocha	35-33—68
Roberto Castro	33-35—68
Dicky Pride	33-36—69
Josh Teater	36-33—69
Chris DiMarco	34-35—69
Aaron Baddeley	33-36—69
Jonathan Byrd	35-34—69
Ben Curtis	34-35—69
Robert Garrigus	35-34—69
Jimmy Walker	34-35—69
Ryuji Imada	35-34—69
Sang-Moon Bae	35-34—69
Danny Lee	35-34—69
Cameron Tringale	36-33—69
Heath Slocum	35-34—69
Carl Pettersson	33-36—69
Also	
David Hearn	**34-36—70**
Mike Weir	**35-36—71**
Stephen Ames	**37-37—74**

NBA PLAYOFFS

CONFERENCE QUARTER-FINALS

(Best-of-7)
All Times Eastern

EASTERN CONFERENCE
CHICAGO (1) VS. PHILADELPHIA (8)
(Series tied 1-1)
Tuesday's result
Philadelphia 109 Chicago 92
Tonight's game
Chicago at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.
Sunday's game
Chicago at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
MIAMI (2) VS. NEW YORK (7)
(Miami leads series 2-0)
Last night's result
Miami at New York
Sunday's game
Miami at New York, 3:30 p.m.
INDIANA (3) VS. ORLANDO (6)
(Indiana leads series 2-1)
Wednesday's result
Indiana 97 Orlando 74
Tomorrow's game
Indiana at Orlando, 2 p.m.
BOSTON (4) VS. ATLANTA (5)
(Series tied 1-1)
Tuesday's result
Boston 87 Atlanta 80
Tonight's game
Atlanta at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday's game
Atlanta at Boston, 7 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE
SAN ANTONIO (1) VS. UTAH (8)
(San Antonio leads series 2-0)
Wednesday's result
San Antonio 114 Utah 83
Tomorrow's game
San Antonio at Utah, 10 p.m.
OKLAHOMA CITY (2) VS. DALLAS (7)
(Oklahoma City leads series 1-0)
Last night's result
Oklahoma City at Dallas
Tomorrow's game
Oklahoma City at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. LAKERS (3) VS. DENVER (6)
(L.A. Lakers lead series 2-0)
Tuesday's result
L.A. Lakers 104 Denver 100
Tonight's game
L.A. Lakers at Denver, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday's game
L.A. Lakers at Denver, 9:30 p.m.
MEMPHIS (4) VS. L.A. CLIPPERS (5)
(Series tied 1-1)
Wednesday's result
Memphis 105 L.A. Clippers 98
Tomorrow's game
Memphis at L.A. Clippers, 4:30 p.m.

LACROSSE

NLL PLAYOFFS

DIVISION SEMIFINALS

EAST DIVISION
Tonight's game — All Times Eastern
Philadelphia at Rochester, 7:30 p.m.
Tomorrow's game
Buffalo at Toronto, 7 p.m.

WEST DIVISION
Tomorrow's games
Minnesota at Colorado, 7:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Calgary, 9 p.m.

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Kansas City	8	7	1	0	12	3	21
D.C. United	10	4	3	3	18	15	15
New York	8	4	3	1	18	14	13
New England	8	3	5	0	7	10	9
Chicago	6	2	2	2	7	8	8
Houston	6	2	2	2	7	8	8
Montreal	9	2	5	2	9	15	8
Philadelphia	7	2	4	1	5	8	7
Columbus	7	2	4	1	6	10	7
Toronto	7	0	7	0	6	16	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
San Jose	9	7	1	1	20	9	22
Real Salt Lake	10	6	3	1	16	11	19
Seattle	7	5	1	1	10	3	16
Vancouver	8	4	2	2	7	6	14
Colorado	9	4	5	0	13	12	12
Dallas	9	3	3	3	10	12	12
Los Angeles	8	3	4	1	11	13	10
Chivas USA	8	3	5	0	4	9	9
Portland	8	2	5	1	9	13	7

Wednesday's results
New England 2 Colorado 1
Seattle 2 Los Angeles 0
San Jose 5 D.C. United 3
Tonight's game — All Times Eastern
Chicago at Chivas USA, 11 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
D.C. United at Toronto, 4:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Seattle, 4:30 p.m.
San Jose at Vancouver, 7 p.m.
New York at Los Angeles, 8 p.m.
New England at Real Salt Lake, 8 p.m.
Montreal at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.
Columbus at Portland, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday's game
Colorado at Dallas, 7 p.m.

AMWAY CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

(CANADIAN QUALIFIER FOR CONCACAF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE)
SEMIFINALS
First Leg
Wednesday's results
Toronto 0 Montreal 0
Vancouver 2 Edmonton 0
Second Leg
Wednesday, May 9 — All Times Eastern
Montreal at Toronto, 8 p.m.
Edmonton at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

HOCKEY

IIHF MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

PRELIMINARY ROUND

Today's games — All Times Eastern
At Helsinki — U.S. vs. France, 5:15 a.m.
Canada vs. Slovakia, 9:15 a.m.
Belarus vs. Finland, 1:15 p.m.
At Stockholm — Germany vs. Italy, 6:15 a.m.
Czech Republic vs. Denmark, 10:15 a.m.
Sweden vs. Norway, 4:15 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
At Helsinki — Switzerland vs. Kazakhstan, 8 a.m.
Canada vs. U.S., 12 noon
At Stockholm
Latvia vs. Russia, 8:15 a.m.
Sweden vs. Czech Republic, 2:15 p.m.
Sunday's games
At Helsinki – France vs. Kazakhstan, 5:15 a.m.
Finland vs. Slovakia, 9:15 a.m.
Switzerland vs. Belarus, 1:15 p.m.
At Stockholm — Denmark vs. Italy, 6:15 a.m.
Russia vs. Norway, 10:15 a.m.
Germany vs. Latvia, 2:15 p.m.

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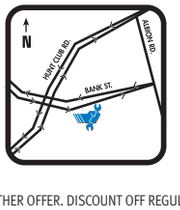

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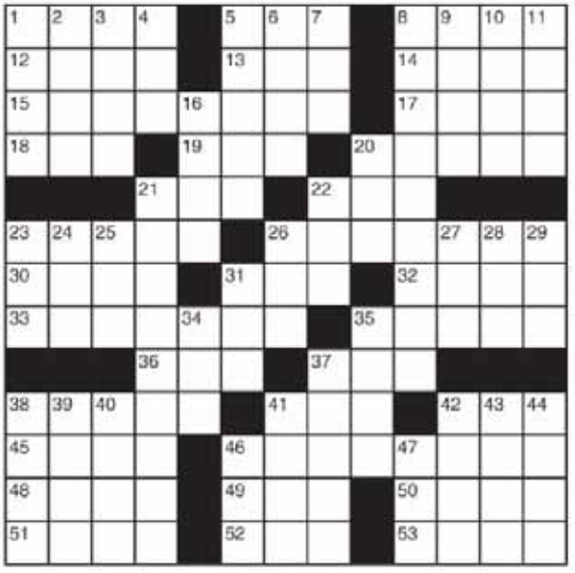
Crossword

Across

1 Pay attention
5 Actor McBride
8 Faux pas
12 Gymnast Korbut
13 "2001" computer
14 — list (agenda)
15 Words from 26-Down
17 Rock partner
18 Blue
19 Before
20 Photocopier's ancestor
21 Malicious
22 Diving bird
23 Godzilla's bailiwick
26 Experience
30 October birthstone
31 London hrs.
32 "The Cosby Show" son
33 Bankrupt
35 Pounce down
36 Years in a decade
37 Halloween shout
38 Scuffle
41 Winter ailment
42 Hawaiian garland
45 Smell
46 Words from 26-Down
48 Judicial garb
49 Corn spike
50 Hurried
51 Differently
52 Elev.
53 Fermi's bit

Down

1 Beer ingredient
2 Singer Fitzgerald
3 "Holy cow!"
4 Rotation duration
5 Variety of beet
6 Patriot Nathan
7 Under the weather
8 Words from 26-Down
9 Weaving apparatus
10 Between assignments
11 Horseback game
16 Legume
20 Pie filling?
21 Words from 26-Down
22 Pismire
23 Profession
24 Gorilla
25 Crony
26 Diamond boss
27 Greek P
28 Earth (Prefix)
29 "Alley —"
31 Pistol
34 Nevertheless
35 Tart-tasting
37 Utter impulsively
38 Golfer's warning
39 Pedestal occupant
40 Sailors
41 Colt or filly
42 Stolen goods
43 Modern money
44 Particular
46 Verily
47 Schedule abbr.



Sudoku

	1			6	3		9	
4								
				2	8		5	4
9		8		3		5		
			2		1			
		6		7		4		3
6	9		7	4				
								9
	5		8	9			2	

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku

1	8	4	3	2	5	7	6	9
3	6	5	4	9	7	1	8	2
9	2	7	6	1	8	5	4	3
2	5	6	1	4	3	8	9	7
7	1	9	5	8	2	4	3	6
4	3	8	9	7	6	2	5	1
6	7	1	8	5	9	3	2	4
5	4	3	2	6	1	9	7	8
8	9	2	7	3	4	6	1	5

Yesterday's Crossword

Cryptoquip

How to play

This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

VYSR UVQ ELB EQILRSD KNU QR BPQISD WRA DUWCU DKWCCLRB, VQNPA KSQKPS DWX UYSX'CS EQMLR' QMSR?

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF SOMEBODY DETONATED EXPLOSIVES BY YOU, I EXPECT THAT MIGHT HAVE A BLASTING EFFECT ON YOU.

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Taurus | April 21 - May 21. Put your own needs on hold and help someone with an emotional problem that they are finding difficult.

Gemini | May 22 - June 20. With Venus in your sign linked to your ruling planet Mercury, your powers of persuasion are awesome.

Cancer | June 21 - July 22. Don't let anyone tell you that you are aiming too high or expecting too much of yourself. If anything, you should be expecting a lot more.

Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. Be who you are, not who other people say you should be. You are under no obligation to change your ways to suit family and friends.

Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. Something you say today may not go down well with friends. That's OK because the truth needs to be told.

Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. The approaching full moon will compel you to make changes. They may be painful but they are necessary too.

Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21. The planets indicate that a time of new beginnings is here at last but to make the most of it you need to sweep away all traces of the past.

Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. You need to face up to your problems. Most likely they are not real problems at all, just doubts.

Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. You may be the most practical member of the zodiac but you have your dreams like everyone else and one dream is now within reach.

Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. People in positions of power are watching you closely, so put on a show over the next couple of days.

Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. Get creative and think of ways you might be able to make your life more exciting — and more profitable too.

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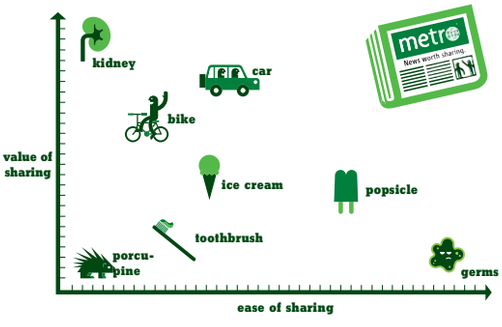

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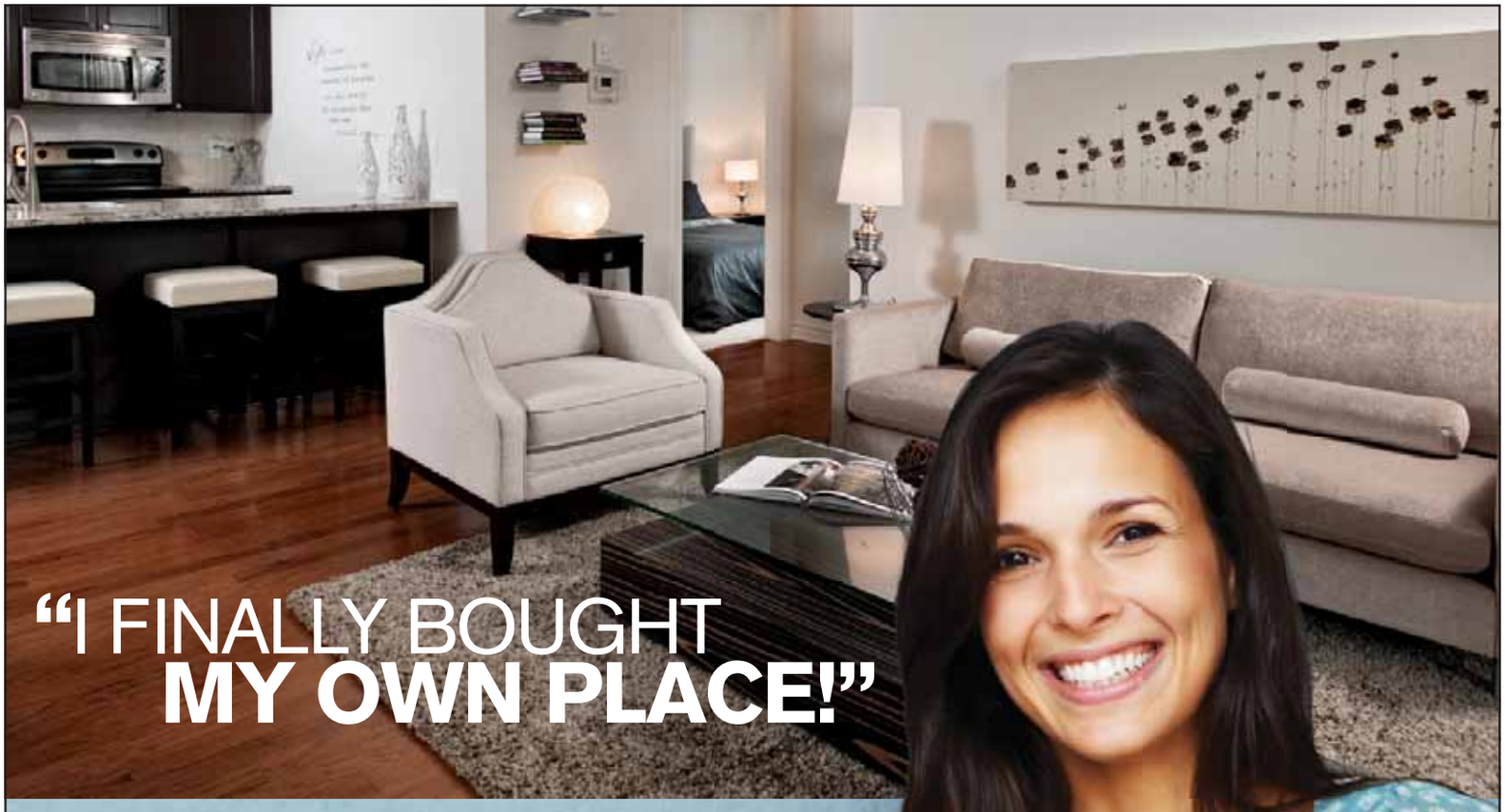

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